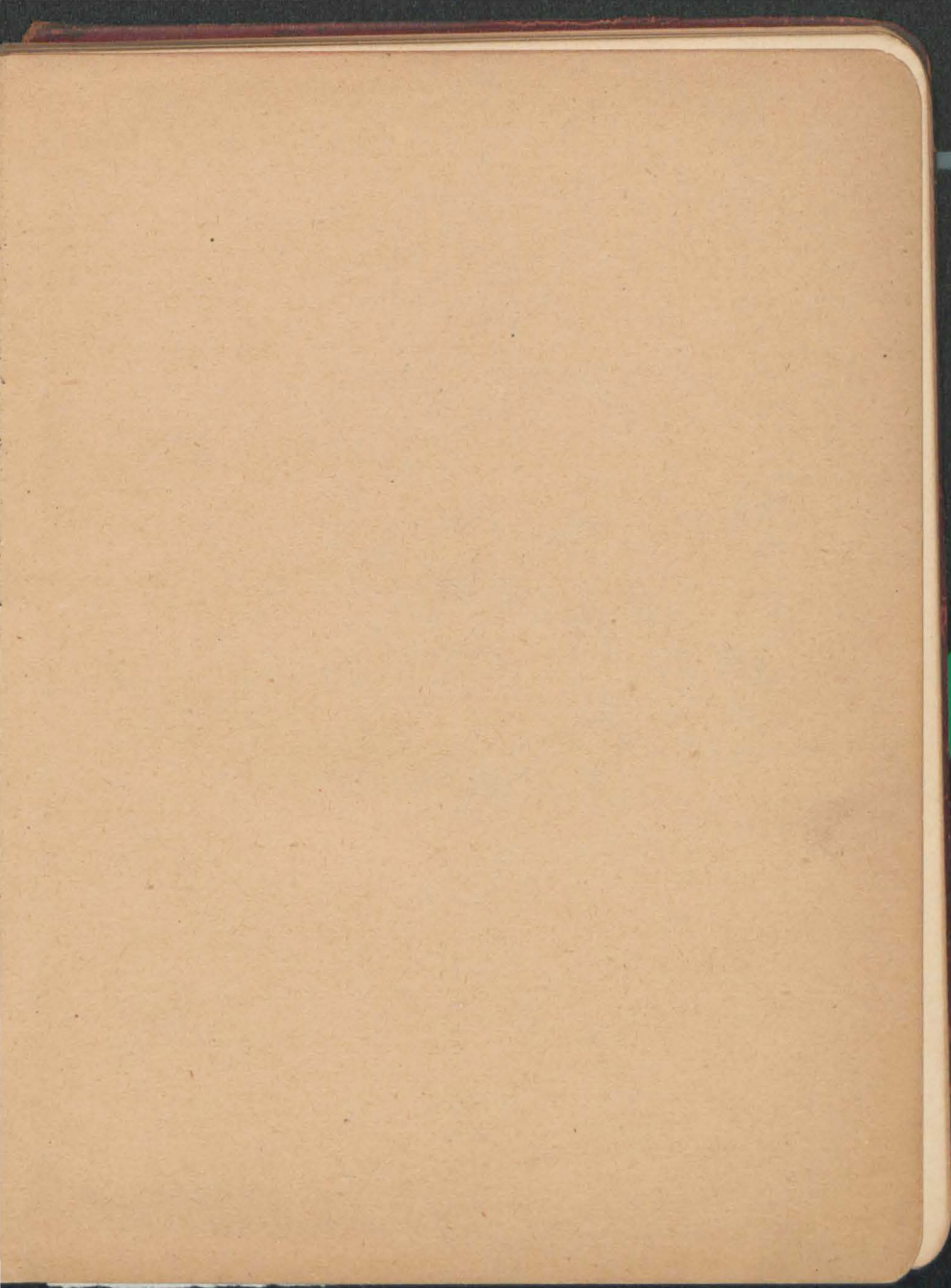
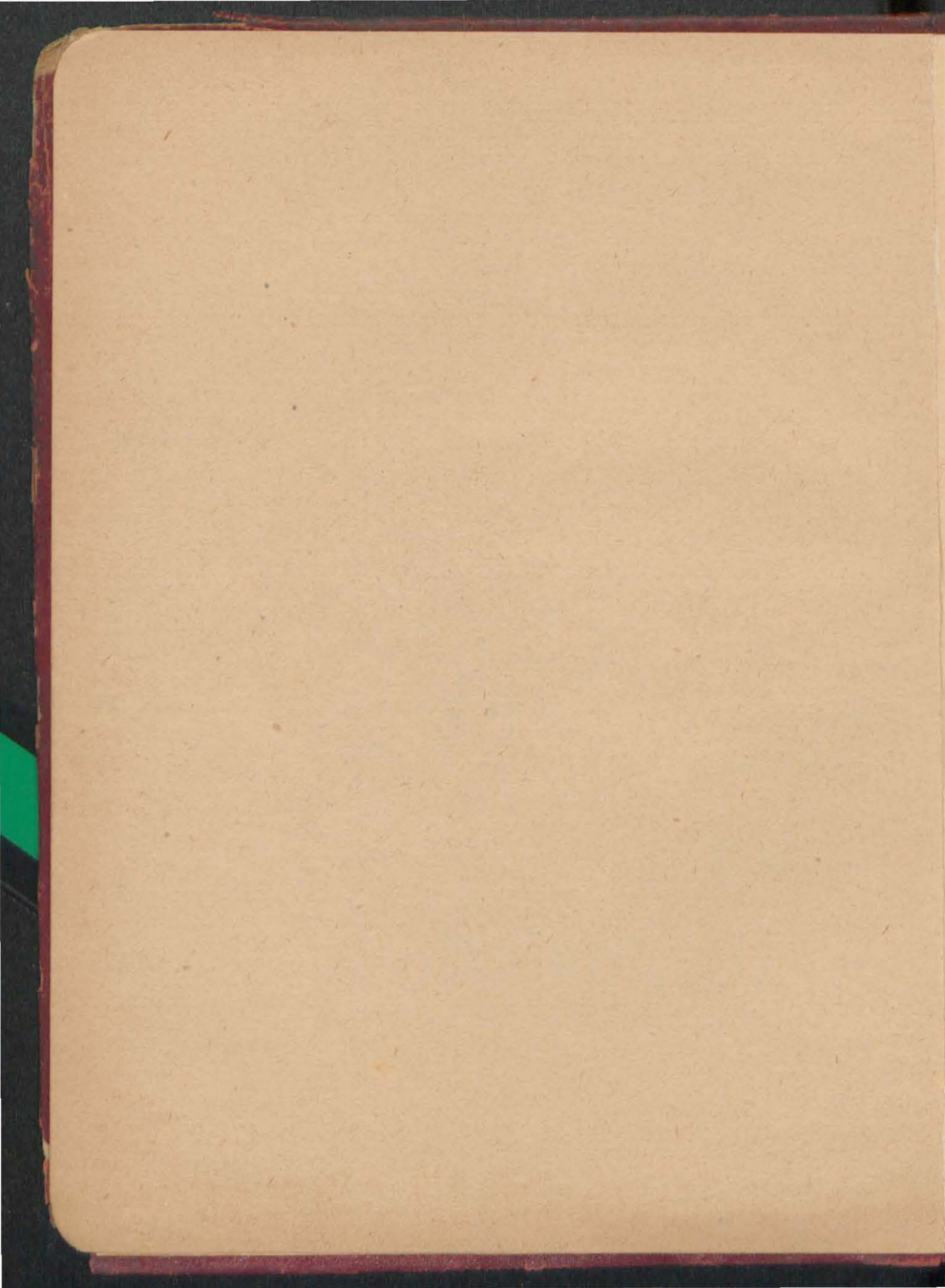


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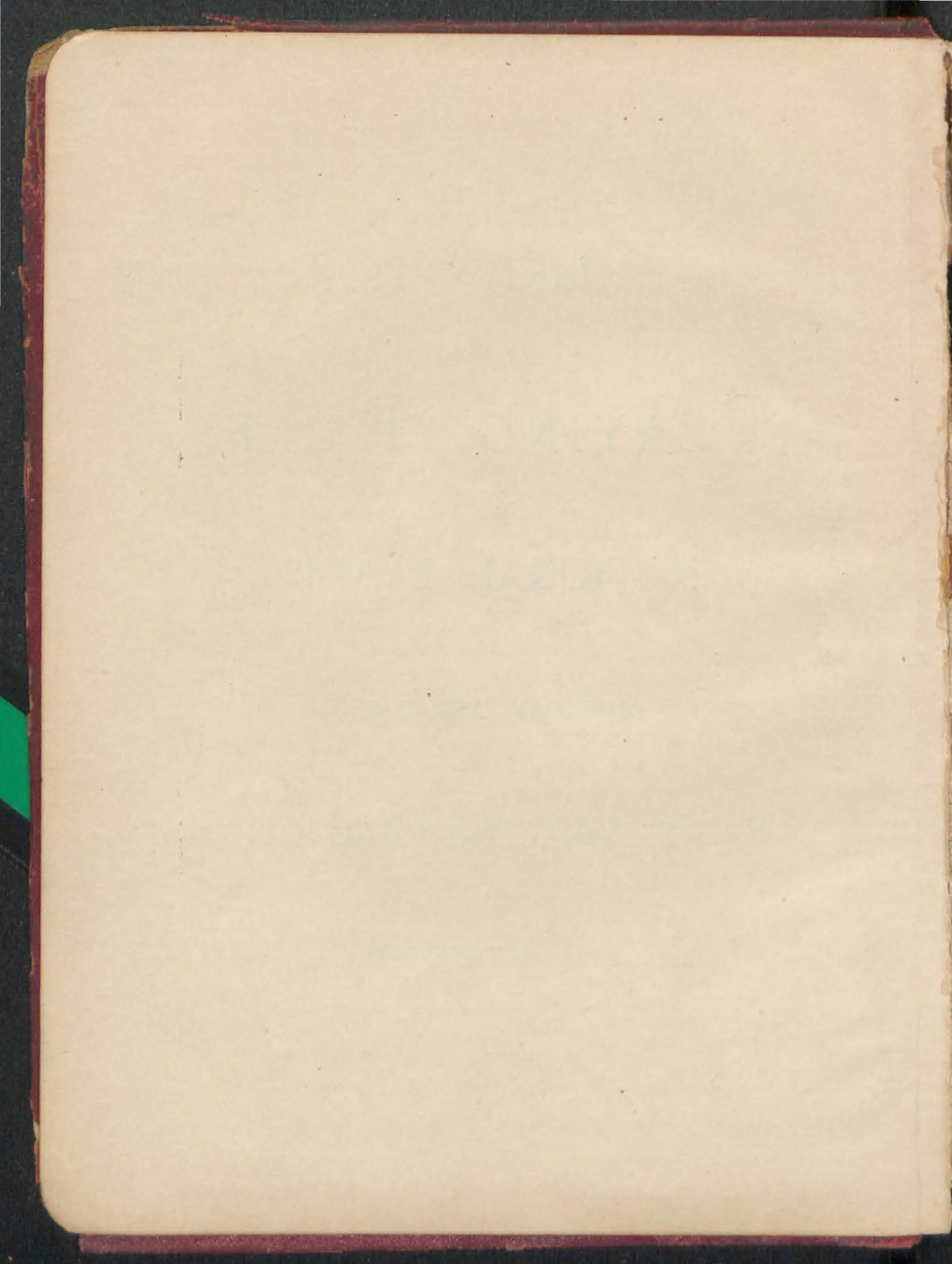




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NAME.

SECTION 1. (1) This Association shall be called the NATIONAL LEAGUE AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS.

OBJECTS.

SEC. 2. The objects of this League are:

(1) To perpetuate base ball as the National game of the United States, and to surround it with such safeguards as to warrant absolute public confidence in its integrity and methods.

(2) To protect and promote the mutual interests of professional base ball clubs and professional base ball players, and

(3) To establish and regulate the professional base ball championship of the United States.

MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 3. This League shall consist of twelve clubs (*the membership of which shall not be increased or diminished for a period of ten years*) located in the following named cities, to wit: Boston, New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Louisville, Cleveland and Chicago; or such other clubs as may, from time to time, be elected to membership, as may be hereinafter provided for; *but in no event shall there be more than one club in any city.*

WITHDRAWAL FROM MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 4. Any club member of this League finding itself unable to meet the obligations it has assumed, shall have the right to ask the League for permission to dispose of its

rights and franchises, as a member of the League, to some other city or organization. In the event of this League giving its consent to the acceptance of such city or organization to membership, providing said club shall assume, together with the rights and franchises of said retiring club, all the liabilities, responsibilities and obligations entered into by said retiring club, as a member of this League. Provided, also, and it must be so understood by the retiring and the new member, that the retiring club shall not be relieved or released from any contracts, responsibilities or obligations, entered into by it to this League, until all of said contracts, responsibilities and obligations have been fully paid and determined by the club accepting its membership, rights, franchises, etc.

ADMISSION TO MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 5. No club shall be admitted to membership unless it shall first have delivered to the Secretary of the League a written application signed by its President and Secretary, and accompanied by documents showing that such club bears the name of the city in which it is located, and that it is regularly organized and officered, and, where the State law permits it, chartered. Such application shall at once be transmitted by the Secretary to the Board of Directors, who shall immediately investigate and report upon said application, said report to be communicated to the League through the Secretary.

SEC. 6. The voting upon an application for membership shall be by ballot, a three-fourths vote being requisite for election.

IN REGARD TO VACANCIES.

SEC. 7. In case a vacancy occurs in the membership of this organization during the championship season, the President shall nominate to all the clubs all applicants for membership; and the vote thereon may be taken by telegraph or mail, as occasion may require, and a majority of all the clubs will be required to admit any applicant to membership. Such membership, however, shall continue only until the next annual meeting, but such club shall be subject to all the rules and requirements of this organization.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 8. The membership of any club may be terminated—

(1) By resignation duly accepted by a three-fourths vote of all clubs in meeting duly convened, as provided in Section 4.

(2) By failure to present its nine at the time and place agreed upon to play any championship game, unless caused by unavoidable accident in traveling.

(3) By allowing open betting or pool selling upon its grounds or in any building owned or occupied by it.

(4) By playing any game of ball with a club that is disqualified or ineligible under this Constitution.

(5) By offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to lose any game of ball; or failing to immediately expel any player who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to lose any game of ball, or of being interested in any pool or wager thereon.

(6) By disbandment of its organization or club team during the championship season.

(7) By failing or refusing to fulfill its contractual obligations.

(8) By failing or refusing to comply with any lawful requirement of the Board of Directors.

(9) By wilfully violating any provision of this Constitution, or the legislation or playing rules made in pursuance thereof, or any violation of the provisions of the National Agreement.

THE EXPULSION OF CLUBS.

SEC. 9. To carry into effect the provisions of Section 8 of this Constitution, the facts in any case covered by such section must be reported to the Secretary of the League, who shall at once notify, by mail or telegraph, the party charged with the specified default or offense and inquire whether any dispute exists as to the facts alleged. In case the facts are disputed, the Board shall, after due notice, try the case under such regulations as they may prescribe; and their finding shall be final and conclusive on all parties except in case of expulsion, when such finding shall be forwarded to each club, which shall transmit to the Secretary written ballots "For Expulsion" or "Against Expulsion"; and if all clubs vote "For Expulsion" the Secretary shall notify all clubs of the forfeiture of membership of the party charged.

DUES AND ASSESSMENTS.

SEC. 10. (1) Each club shall pay to the Secretary, on or before the first day of April of each year, the sum of \$100 as annual dues; and such other sums as from time to time may be assessed for the payment of salaries of officers and umpires, and for such other expenses as may be incurred by order of this League or the Board of Directors. Also

all fines and penalties imposed by said League or its Board of Directors upon a club or upon any club officer, player, manager, scorer, or other employe when so levied and imposed by virtue of, and in accordance with, the provisions of this Constitution and the playing rules of this League.

(2) Upon conviction of any of the offenses prescribed in Section 8, as causes for expulsion, the Board of Directors may, in the first instance, as a preliminary to, or in lieu of expulsion, impose such a fine as is in their judgment commensurate with the injury; which fine may include a penalty payable to any other club or clubs, as an equivalent for damages sustained for such violation of this Constitution, or of the legislation or contracts made in pursuance thereof.

OFFICERS.

SEC. 11. At its annual meeting the League shall elect a President-Secretary-Treasurer and Board of Directors. The President shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Board of Directors. He shall report to the Board of Directors any violation of the provisions of this Constitution that may come to his knowledge. *He shall be the sole interpreter of the playing rules during the championship season.* He shall preside at all the meetings of the League, and at the annual meeting of the League shall act as a schedule committee, unless said meeting shall otherwise direct.

Should the office of President become vacant by death, resignation, or removal, the Board of Directors shall, within thirty days thereafter, elect a President.

THE SECRETARY'S DUTIES.

SEC. 12. The Secretary shall be the Treasurer of the League, and as such shall be the custodian of all funds of the League; receive all dues, fees and assessments; make such payments, as shall be ordered by the Board or by the vote of the League, and render annually a report of his accounts; and he shall give such bond, with approved sureties, as the Board may require.

SEC. 13. The Secretary shall have the custody and care of the official records and papers of the League; shall keep a true record of all meetings of the League and the Board; shall issue all official notices, and attend to the necessary correspondence; he shall also prepare and furnish such reports as may be called for by the Board, and shall be entitled to such books, stationery, blanks and materials as the actual duties of his office may require.

SEC. 14. The Secretary shall keep a record of all infractions of the rules and regulations of the League that may come under his notice, and shall make a report on the same to the Board at its next meeting.

SEC. 15. The Secretary shall receive such salary as the Board, by vote, shall determine, and shall be reimbursed for all traveling expenses actually incurred by him in the service of the League; and the Board may exact from him such guarantees for the faithful performance of his duties as they would deem for the interest and safety of the League. At the expiration of his term of office he shall account for, and deliver up to the Board, all the property and papers which may have come into his hands by virtue of his office.

SEC. 16. The Board of Directors shall consist of the President and six other members, to be chosen at the annual meeting by ballot, three of whom shall represent the Eastern clubs and three the Western clubs.

SEC. 17. In case of vacancy in the Board by reason of the death, resignation, absence, or disqualification of any Director, the club of which he was a member, at the time he was chosen, shall designate his successor, and at once notify the Secretary. But if such vacancy is caused by the withdrawal, disbanding, or disqualification of a club represented on the Board, the Board may fill the vacancy by election in the same manner as provided for the election of Directors in Section 12.

QUALIFICATIONS OF DIRECTORS.

SEC. 18. No person shall be qualified to act as Director who is not an actual member of the club he represents; nor shall any club, under any circumstances, be represented by more than one person on the Board of Directors, nor shall any Director sit in the trial of a cause in which his club is interested.

SEC. 19. The Board shall meet annually on the morning of the second Tuesday in December, at 12 o'clock noon, at the place where the annual meeting of the League is to be held, but may hold special meetings whenever urgent necessity may require.

SEC. 20. The Board shall prepare a detailed report of all their doings, and present the same in writing to the League at its annual meeting; which report shall, if accepted, be filed with the Secretary; together with all official papers, documents and property, which may have come into their possession by virtue of their office.

SEC. 21. The Board shall have a general supervision and management of all the affairs and business of the League, including the award of the championship and such other duties expressly or impliedly conferred upon them by this Constitution, or by legislation made in pursuance thereof. It shall be the sole and exclusive tribunal for the trial of managers or players for any violation of this Constitution or of the playing rules or other rules of discipline, unless the League, by a three-fourths vote of its club membership, shall otherwise direct. It shall be the sole and exclusive tribunal to hear and determine disputes between clubs; complaints by a club against the manager or player of another club, or by a manager or player against his own club, or an appeal by a player against fine, suspension or expulsion by his own club, and generally for the adjudication of all issues of law or fact arising out of this Constitution; the Playing Rules and other legislation made in pursuance thereof.

SEC. 22. The Board shall adopt such regulations, and such rules of procedure for the hearing and determination of all disputes and complaints brought before them. Where such dispute is in relation to a game alleged to have been played in violation of this Constitution or of the Playing Rules, the complaint and accompanying proofs must be filed within five days after the date of said game with the President of the Board, who shall send a copy of the same to the other clubs, with orders to file its answer within five days thereafter. The President of the Board shall in the first instance decide the dispute on its merits and forthwith communicate his decision to both clubs, either of which may within five days appeal from said decision to the full Board. Said decision, together with all other documents and proofs, shall thereupon be transmitted for a mail vote to the different members of the Board. *The finding of the Board shall be final*, and under no circumstances shall be reconsidered, reopened or inquired into, either by the League or any subsequent Board.

SEC. 23. The Board shall at once consider any complaint preferred by a club against a manager or player of another club (prior to the expiration of the championship season) for conduct in violation of any provision of this Constitution, or prejudicial to the good repute of the game of base ball; and shall have power to require the club, to which such player or manager may belong, to discipline him, and upon repetition of such offense to expel him. Provided

that such complaint be preferred in writing, giving such particulars as may enable the Board to ascertain all the facts, and such particulars shall be transmitted to the Secretary, by whom it shall at once be referred to the Board.

SEC. 24. In case a player, under contract with a League club, shall, during a current season, prefer a complaint in writing to the Secretary of the League against such a club, alleging that such club is in arrears to him for salary for more than fifteen days after such salary became due on account of such contract, the Secretary shall at once transmit to the said club a copy of such complaint, and require an answer thereto. On receipt of such answer, or if five days shall have elapsed without the receipt of an answer, the Secretary shall refer the papers in the case to the Board of Directors, and should the Board find the player's complaint sustained, they shall require the club, under penalty of forfeiture of its membership, to pay to the player forthwith the full amount ascertained to be due him. Provided that should the player refuse to serve the club pending action by the Board on his complaint, he will thereby forfeit the benefits of the award, and in such case the Board shall revoke his award.

SEC. 25. The Board shall promptly hear an appeal made by any person who shall have been expelled, suspended, or disciplined by his club. Such person shall, within thirty days after the date of the expulsion, suspension, or discipline, file with the Secretary a written statement of his defense, accompanied by a request that an appeal be allowed him. The Secretary shall notify the club of the request for an appeal, accompanying such notice with a copy of the appeal; and at the next meeting of the Board the club, by its duly authorized representative; and the appellant in person, by attorney or by written statement, shall appear before the Board with their testimony. The Board shall impartially hear the matter and render their decision, which shall be final and forever binding on both club and player.

SEC. 26. The Board shall have authority to impose any just fine or pecuniary penalty on a club, a manager or a player, if warranted by their findings and decisions, and they may impose the expenses of trials and hearings on one or both parties to the controversy. But such fine, penalty and expenses may be remitted by a three-fourths vote of the League upon appeal duly made and heard at an annual or special meeting.

INDIVIDUAL CLUB CONTROL.

SEC. 27. Each club shall have the right to regulate its own affairs; to establish its own rules, and to discipline, punish, suspend or expel its own manager, players or other employes, and these powers shall not be limited to cases of dishonest play or open insubordination; but shall include all questions of carelessness, indifference or other conduct of the player that may be regarded by the club as prejudicial to its interests, and not in conflict with any provision of this Constitution; or the Playing Rules of this League.

PUNISHMENT OF SCANDALOUS CONDUCT.

SEC. 28. The President of the League shall have power, upon proper proof, to suspend for a definite period and to impose a fine not exceeding \$200 upon any League manager or player guilty, in public, of gross misbehavior, including intoxication, fighting, quarreling, indecency, or other scandalous conduct, whether on or off the playing field, during the season, where the same is, in his opinion, calculated to bring disrepute upon the National League or National Game. Such fine can only be remitted by the Board of Directors after a hearing upon appeal duly prosecuted.

CLUB TERRITORIAL RIGHTS.

SEC. 29. Every club of this League shall have exclusive control of the city in which it is located, and of the territory surrounding such city, to the extent of five miles in every direction from its corporate limits; and no visiting League club shall, under any circumstances, be allowed to play any club in such territory other than the League club therein located, without the consent of the local League club.

ON RESERVATION OF PLAYERS.

SEC. 30. Each club a member of this League shall be entitled to the right of reservation. On or before the 30th day of September in each year each club shall transmit to the Secretary a reserve list of the players, not exceeding eighteen, whose services it desires to retain, and who are then under contract to the said club for the current or for any succeeding season or seasons; and in addition thereto the names of such players reserved in any prior annual list who have refused to contract with said club. Such players, together with all others thereafter to be regularly contracted with, shall be ineligible to contract with any other

club in this League except as hereinafter provided. *No club shall have the right to reserve any player when in arrears of salary to him.* The Secretary shall promulgate such lists.

NEGOTIATING FOR SERVICES.

SEC. 31. No player, without the consent of the club with which he is under contract or reservation, shall enter into negotiations with any other club for future services.

CONTRACTS.

SEC. 32. Contracts made between a club and its players may be either by telegram or writing, to be followed within thirty days thereafter by a contract in the form approved and promulgated by the Secretary to all the clubs of the League.

SEC. 33. The League shall adopt such form of contract as it may deem best for the protection of the rights of the parties thereto. All contracts must be approved by the Secretary, and duly promulgated by him. The ten days' release, provided for in the seventeenth paragraph of the League form of contract, shall begin to run from the time of notice thereof received by the Secretary of the League, who shall, at once, promulgate the same to all club members. At the expiration of said ten days the player, so released, shall be eligible to contract with the releasing club, or any other club member.

SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION OF PLAYERS.

SEC. 34. Any player, while under contract with, or reservation by, a League club, who shall, without the consent of such club, enter the service of any other club in any capacity, shall be liable to expulsion by said League club. Whenever a club releases a manager or player without notice, or gives him ten days' notice of release in accordance with the terms of his contract, or suspends or expels a manager or player, that club shall at once notify the Secretary of this League, stating, in case of release, the date when the same takes effect, and in case of suspension or expulsion, the cause thereof.

SEC. 35. No manager or player, who has been suspended or expelled from a League club, shall at any time thereafter be allowed to play with, or serve in any capacity, any League club (either the one expelling him or any other) unless the term of suspension by the club has expired, or, upon his appeal to this League, such expulsion or suspension shall have been set aside.

EFFECT OF CLUB DISBANDMENT.

SEC. 36. The disbandment of a League club, or its withdrawal from or loss of League membership, shall operate as a release of its players from contract and reservation with said club, but the right to contract with and reserve said players shall be subject to transfer to such other club as the League may designate after acceptance of their said services.

PLAYING WITH OUTSIDE CLUBS.

SEC. 37. No game of base ball shall be played between a League club and any other club that has been expelled from membership in this League. No game of ball shall be played between a League club and any other club employing or presenting in its nine a player expelled, or under suspension from the League, or otherwise rendered ineligible by this League or a club member thereof. No game of ball shall be played by a League club during the championship season except those provided for by the regularly adopted schedule.

"CROOKEDNESS" AND ITS PENALTIES.

SEC. 38. Any person who shall be proven guilty of offering, agreeing, conspiring or attempting to cause any game of ball to result otherwise than on its merits under the Playing Rules, shall *be forever disqualified by the President of the League from acting as umpire, manager, player or in any other capacity in any game of ball participated in by a League club*, unless such disqualification shall be removed by a three-fourths vote of the League.

UMPIRES.

SEC. 39. A staff of League Umpires and Assistants shall be selected by the Secretary before the opening of the regular season.

I. Each application shall set forth, under oath, the age, residence, sobriety, experience, and such other qualifications of the applicant as may be prescribed on forms prepared by the Secretary, endorsed by well known gentlemen intimately acquainted with the applicant.

Independent of such endorsements, however, the Secretary shall make inquiries and post himself, as far as practicable, as to the merits and qualifications of each applicant.

II. A list of all approved applicants shall be enumerated in the order of their merit. Numbers 1 to 6 shall constitute the six Umpires and numbers 7 to 12 the six Assistant Umpires, and will receive the regular assignments to duty,

while numbers 13, 14, 15, et sequitur, will constitute the Waiting List and will be held to fill vacancies occurring either temporarily or permanently. Preference shall be given to Assistant Umpires to fill vacancies occurring among Umpires.

III. They shall be paid such salaries and allowed such expenses as may be mutually agreed upon by contract between them and the Secretary of the League, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the League.

But at least ten per cent. of current salaries shall be withheld by the Secretary until the termination of his contract for that season to secure such deductions for absences and the payment of such fines as may be lawfully imposed.

IV. In the event of the failure of Umpires or Assistant Umpires to umpire a game assigned to them, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to provide a substitute to umpire such game; and in such case there shall be deducted from the next annual payment to the League Umpire or Assistant Umpire the sum of twelve dollars for each game assigned to him, which for any reason he shall have failed to umpire.

V. It shall be the duty of each League club to accept as Umpires for any championship game such League Umpires, Assistant Umpires, or substitutes as the Secretary shall assign to such game. In the event of the non-appearance of both League Umpires or substitutes at the hour appointed for the beginning of the game, each Club Captain shall then select one of the substitute players of the opposing club, and the two players thus selected shall be the duly authorized Umpires for that game.

VI. It shall be the duty of Umpires and Assistant Umpires to enforce the rules as they are written, regardless of personal opinion as to their merits, subject to the Secretary's instructions as to their proper interpretation. They shall familiarize themselves with these sections of the Constitution; obey all orders of the Secretary, assigning their services and wear such uniform on the Playing Field as he may designate.

SUPERVISOR OF UMPIRES.

SEC. 40. A Supervisor of Umpires may be chosen by the League at an annual or special meeting to serve for one year unless sooner removed by the League or the Board of Directors for incompetency, malfeasance in office, or other just cause. His compensation shall be fixed by the League prior to his acceptance of the office.

I. He shall supervise and inspect the work and conduct of the Umpires and Assistant Umpires and report frequently to the Secretary as to their efficiency and fidelity.

II. All complaints against Umpires and Assistant Umpires shall be referred to him for investigation. Complaints as to errors of judgment on questions of play will ordinarily require little consideration, but if repeatedly made and from various sources against the same Umpire or Assistant Umpire so as to indicate incompetency, then the Supervisor shall proceed to collect all available evidence on the subject and verify it, if possible by his own personal observation, and report the facts and his views thereon, to the Secretary, who may suspend or remove such Umpire or Assistant Umpire and substitute the next in order on the Waiting List. If a complaint be for error of interpretation of the Playing Rules the evidence shall be collected, the alleged offender furnished with a copy thereof, which with his statement in reply, together with the Supervisor's views thereon, shall be submitted to the Secretary for such action as he may deem fit and appropriate.

If the complaint be for a wilful violation of this Constitution or of the Playing Rules, or for neglect or refusal to enforce any of said rules, or for any improper or ungentlemanly language or conduct while officiating as an Umpire or Assistant Umpire, then, after collecting all the evidence by affidavits, or otherwise, he shall make a personal investigation of the truth of the complaint in the city where it originated, and elsewhere if necessary, giving both sides a hearing and reporting his finding to the Secretary.

If such finding sustain the complaint, the Secretary shall inflict a penalty of at least Fifty Dollars upon the offender, and may also suspend or remove him, as the aggravation of the offense justifies, and substitute in his place the next in order on the Waiting List.

PLAYING RULES.

SEC. 41. This League shall adopt such playing rules as it deems best for the conduct of its business.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

SEC. 42. The championship of the United States, established by this League, shall be contended for yearly by the clubs composing the League.

SEC. 43. The championship season shall extend from such date in April or May to such date in September or October

as the League may determine at its stated or special meeting.

SEC. 44. Every game played between two clubs from the commencement of the championship season to the completion of the championship series between such clubs shall be a game for the championship, and no League club shall lend or exchange players to or with each other for any game played during the championship season. Any violation of this section shall subject each offender to a fine of \$100.

SEC. 45. Each club shall play twelve or more championship games with every other club; but a tie or draw game or a game prevented by rain or other causes shall be played off on the same ground on the next or a succeeding date of the same or subsequent series, whether open or scheduled for another game between the same clubs, thus compelling double games for said scheduled date. If, however, both series shall have terminated, such postponed game must be played off on the ground of the other club on a date open or scheduled during a subsequent series between the same clubs.

SEC. 46. Each club shall have half of the championship series of games with every other club played on its grounds, except as otherwise provided in Section 45; and in all the details of such games, that do not involve the rights of the visiting club under the playing rules, but relate solely to such games as attractive exhibitions to the patrons of the home club, the visiting club shall defer to the wishes of the home club; provided, nevertheless, that the home club shall not be permitted to change the usual hour for the commencement of scheduled games in its particular city more than thirty (30) minutes without first having obtained the consent of the visiting club thereto, under a penalty to the visiting club of \$500. The visiting club shall furnish to a person designated by the home club the batting order of its nine by 10 o'clock on the morning of the day of each game, or the evening previous, if requested. In case of the failure of any visiting club to furnish the batting order of its nine as herein stipulated, it shall forfeit the sum of \$10, which amount shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of the League, upon the receipt of notice from him of the infliction of such fine, which notice shall be given by the Secretary upon receipt of complaint from the home club.

It shall be the duty of the home club to furnish the manager and captain of the visiting club with a list of the batting order before the commencement of the game under

similar penalties for default as herein prescribed. The visiting club shall have the right to practise its nine on the grounds of the home club between 11 and 12 o'clock A. M. on each day of its visit during the championship season.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE.

SEC. 47. All championship games shall be arranged in a written schedule prepared by the Schedule Committee, and reported to and adopted by the League by a three-fourths vote before the beginning of the championship season. The schedule shall provide for an equal number of return games, and shall specify the date of each game and the date of each series of games. No date in said schedule shall subsequently be changed, except (1) by written agreement of two clubs from a date fixed by the schedule for a game between such clubs to an open date on the same grounds; or (2) as provided in Section 45; or (3) by the written consent of three-fourths of all the League clubs.

Any club or clubs violating this section shall be amenable to a penalty of \$1,000. Said penalty to be paid within forty-eight hours to the Treasurer of the National League and American Association, or if not so paid to be withheld from any funds to their credit in the hands of the Treasurer. All games played in violation of this section shall not count in the championship series.

THE ADMISSION FEES AND RECEIPTS.

SEC. 48. The general admission fee to all championship games shall be fifty (50) cents, but each club shall designate a part of its grounds, and provide seats thereon, the admission fee to which shall be twenty-five (25) cents, and all division of percentages shall be made on the basis of fifty (50) cents, except as to that part of the grounds the admission fee to which is fixed at twenty-five (25) cents, and as to such part of said grounds all divisions of percentage shall be on the basis of twenty-five cents.

At the conclusion of each championship game the home club shall deliver to the manager of the visiting club (and shall transmit by mail to the President or other designated official of the visiting club a duplicate of the same) a statement of the receipts of said game, which must include all fifty-cent and twenty-five cent admissions, and shall pay to the visiting club fifty per centum of said receipts.

SEC. 49. Out of the funds of this League now in the hands of the Secretary he shall create a Sinking Fund not to exceed \$12,000, which shall be invested in Government bonds,

All other funds shall be placed in the treasury to meet current expenses.

THE TURNSTILE COUNT.

SEC. 50. The number of persons admitted to the grounds shall be determined by the use of the necessary number of self-registering turnstiles, the arms of which shall extend within four inches of a dividing partition, the keys of which shall be delivered to the agent of the visiting club before the opening of the grounds for each game; and said agent of the visiting club shall have full access to such turnstile, and the box of such turnstile shall not be removed until after the close of the seventh innings, and in case a carriage gate is used a ticket for each person admitted through such gate shall at once be delivered to the agent of the visiting club. No person shall be admitted free to the grounds during or prior to such game or the hour appointed therefor, excepting only players of contesting clubs, policemen in uniform, the Umpires and the necessary employees of the home club, and representatives of newspapers published in some other city in which a League club is located; such representative to be identified by holding a ticket signed by the President of the League and countersigned by the President of the club located in the city where the paper represented is published. The visiting club shall have the right to accept the turnstile count for each and all games, or to count all tickets. Each club shall be required to use for its business substantial pasteboard tickets, which can be readily counted.

GROUND ENTRANCES.

SEC. 51. No club shall be allowed to have more than four entrances to its grounds except upon holidays, but for all such days the visiting club shall be given at least ten days' notice of the whole number and location of additional entrances; provided, however, emergency gates may be opened by consent of the visiting club if occasion requires.

STOPPING PLAY TO CATCH TRAINS.

SEC. 52. On any day when either club is required to leave a city to, or in order to reach another city in time, where it is scheduled to play its next game, the home club shall be compelled upon proper notice by the visiting club to begin the game three hours and a half before the time of the departure of the last train by means of which either club can reach the next scheduled point in time. And either club may leave the field at any time within one hour of said

train time without forfeiting any rights or privileges, provided five innings on each side have been played, and the Umpire shall be the sole judge of the time.

GIVING OUT ADMISSION CHECKS.

SEC. 53. In the event of a game being stopped by rain or declared forfeited before completion of five innings, the home club may issue admission checks good for the next succeeding game. If such checks are so issued the visiting club shall not be entitled to its percentage of receipts; but if such checks are not issued, the visiting club shall be entitled to its percentage of receipts, precisely as if the game had been fully played.

FORFEITED GAMES.

SEC. 54. A club shall be entitled to forfeited games—to count in its series as games won by a score of nine runs to none—in case where the Umpire in any championship game shall award the game to such club on account of the violation by the contesting club of any section of this Constitution or of any Playing Rule; and in the event of such forfeiture being caused by the withdrawal of the players during the progress of the game, or by a failure to report with its team at the time fixed for the game, unless written notice has been received from the home club that the game cannot be played, then such forfeiting club *shall incur a penalty of one thousand dollars*, and in the event of forfeiture for any other cause, five hundred dollars, which shall be payable to the Secretary of the League within ten days thereafter for the use and benefit of the non-offending club, but said fine may be remitted or modified upon appeal to and a hearing by the Board of Directors. In addition to the penalty above referred to, the *captain or manager*, or the person in charge of the offending team and responsible for the team leaving the field, *shall incur a penalty of one hundred dollars*, which shall be paid within five days to the Secretary of the League, said penalty not to be remitted under any circumstances. In case such penalties are not paid within the time named, the club and player cannot participate in a championship game.

DRAWN GAMES.

SEC. 55. Drawn, tie and postponed games shall not count in the series as games (but any game of not less than five innings shall be included in the averages), but must be played off, if possible, as provided in Section 45. If they cannot be played off, as therein provided, they may subse-

quently be played off, if sufficient time exists before the close of the season.

Double games for one admission shall not be permitted unless previously scheduled as such or rendered compulsory by the playing off of postponed games, as provided in Section 45.

WINNING THE PENNANT.

SEC. 56. The club which shall have won the greatest percentage of games in the championship series, shall be declared the champion club of the United States for the season in which such games were played. In the event that two or more clubs shall have won the same percentage of games, then the Board shall at once arrange a special series of three games between any two of such clubs, such games to be played at the close of the championship season, and the games so played shall be included in the championship record, and counted in determining the award of the championship. In such case only the provisions of this Constitution prohibiting the playing or recording as championship games, games played after the expiration of the championship season, shall have no effect. The emblem of the championship shall be a pennant (of the National colors) to cost not less than one hundred dollars (\$100). It shall be inscribed with the motto, "Champion Base Ball Club of the United States," with the name of the club and the year in which the title was won, and the champion club shall be entitled to fly the pennant until the close of the ensuing year.

DECIDING THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

SEC. 57. The championship shall be decided in the following manner:

Within twenty-four hours after every match game played for the championship, the home club shall prepare and forward to the Secretary of the League a statement containing the full score of the game, according to the system specified in the Playing Rules, together with the date, the place where played, the names of the clubs and Umpire, provided that no tie or drawn game shall be considered a game for any purpose except the averages; and provided, further, that in any case where the Secretary shall not receive the score of a championship game within five days after the playing of such game, the club whose duty it is to forward such score shall pay to the League the sum of \$2 as the penalty of such default.

At the close of the season the Secretary shall prepare a tabular statement of the games won and lost by each club, according to the statement so sent him, which statement shall be the sole evidence in the matter, and submit the same, with the statements so sent him, to the Board, who shall make the award in writing and report the same to the League at its annual meeting.

In making the award the Board shall consider:

- (1) The tabular statement of the Secretary.
- (2) Forfeited games.
- (3) Games participated in by clubs which have withdrawn, disbanded, or forfeited their membership without completing their championship series with all other League clubs; such games shall be counted to the following extent: The Board shall ascertain the least number of championship games played by such club with any club remaining in the League, and shall from the first game participated in during the championship series by such retired club, count in the series of each League club a similar number of games, and all other games participated in by such retired club shall not be counted in the championship series. Provided, that if such retired club shall have failed to play at least one championship game with every League club, all games participated in by it shall be thrown out entirely.

MEETINGS.

SEC. 58. The annual meeting of the League shall be held on the second Tuesday in December of each year, at 2 o'clock P. M., and at such places as shall have been determined by a vote at the previous annual meeting.

SEC. 59. Special meetings may be called by the President of this League on his own option or on the written call of six clubs.

CLUB REPRESENTATION.

SEC. 60. At such meeting each club shall be represented and shall be entitled to two representatives, and to have in addition thereto any of its officers or ex-officers present at such meeting; but no club shall be permitted to send as a representative any person under contract or engagement as a ball player or manager, and belonging to the nine of said club in such capacity. They shall, if requested by any other club representative, present a certificate of their appointment duly attested by at least two officers of their club showing their authority to act, but no club shall have more than one vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

SEC. 61. This League may, upon a majority vote of its members, elect to go into executive session for the transaction of its business, and during such session no club shall be entitled to more than two representatives.

QUORUM.

SEC. 62. A representation of a majority of clubs shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a less number may adjourn from time to time until a quorum is obtained. When obtained it may be maintained by locking the doors of the meeting room, the appointment of door-keepers and such other procedures usual in parliamentary bodies to maintain quorums and dispatch business.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SEC. 63. The following shall be the order of business, unless suspended by a three-fourths vote of the club members:

1. Reading Minutes of last meeting.
2. Report of Board of Directors.
3. Report of Committees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Amendment of Constitution.
6. Amendment of Playing Rules.
7. Election of Officers.
8. Miscellaneous business.
9. Adjournment.

AMENDMENTS.

SEC. 64. (1) The Constitution of this League may be altered or amended by a *three-fourths vote of the League at any annual meeting*, or by a unanimous vote at any other time. Provided, however, that this section and Sections 3, 8, 48 and 49 shall not be altered or amended except by a unanimous vote of this League.

(2) Any section of this Constitution may be suspended or its provision made non-applicable by *unanimous vote at a League meeting*.

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Of Professional Base Ball Associations Adopted by the National Board of Arbitration February 24, 1896.

NAME.

ARTICLE 1. This instrument shall be called "The National Agreement of Professional Base Ball Associations."

OBJECTS.

ARTICLE 2. The objects of this Agreement are:

1. To perpetuate base ball as the national game of America, and to surround it with such safeguards as to warrant absolute public confidence in its integrity and methods.
2. To promote and afford protection to such minor Professional Base Ball Leagues and Associations as may desire to operate under its provisions.

THE GOVERNING POWER.

ARTICLE 3. The governing power under this Agreement, which shall be called "The National Board of Arbitration," shall be vested in six representatives selected by the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs (hereinafter designated the Major League), and such representatives from minor organizations of Professional Base Ball Clubs (hereinafter designated Minor Leagues) as may be admitted to membership by the National Board of Arbitration from time to time under the rules governing membership.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

ARTICLE 4. The annual meeting of the National Board shall be held on the second Tuesday in December of each year, at which time the representatives elected by the major League shall elect a President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board.

DUTIES AND AUTHORITY OF THE NATIONAL BOARD.

ARTICLE 5.—1. The general enforcement of this Agreement, the protection of rights thereunder, the determination of all controversies as hereinafter provided and generally the regulation of all things within the scope of this Agreement are each and severally conferred upon and committed to the National Board of Arbitration.

2. The Board may adopt rules and regulations prescribing the duties of each and all of its members and officers, its methods of procedure and the general transaction of its business.

3. It shall be the duty of the Board and it shall have full and final jurisdiction:

To hear and determine all disputes and complaints between associations and clubs; between one club and another, members of the same or of different associations; between clubs and players or managers, and, in addition thereto, all disputes and complaints arising under and of all matters involving the interpretation of the National Agreement or the disposition of the rights thereunder, and may hold special meetings for these purposes when required. The Board shall have power also to pass upon any question

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brought before it by a club member or members of any organization, where unjust discrimination has been made against any club or clubs, and, if upon a hearing, the Board finds that such charge or charges are true, it shall have the power to impose such fines or penalties as it deems proper, or to forfeit and terminate the privileges of such organization under this agreement.

POWER TO IMPOSE FINES.

4. In the performance of its duties the Board shall have power to impose fines or penalties upon associations, clubs, club officers, players, managers, scorers and umpires, and to suspend any such organization or person from the protection and privileges of the National Agreement in any instance in which, in its opinion, it or he shall have been guilty of conduct detrimental to the general welfare of the game or in violation of the letter or spirit of the National Agreement.

DECISION FINAL.

5. Its decision shall be final over any and all matters within its jurisdiction.

REINSTATEMENTS.

6. It may reinstate any person or body suspended.

ASSESSMENTS.

7. It shall have power to make such reasonable assessments upon clubs or associations as may be necessary to defray the expenses incidental to the performance of its duties and the enforcement of this Agreement.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

8. It may make all orders, rules and regulations for the performance of its duties and the exercise of its power, and to accomplish the purpose in view, may amend and supplement the same from time to time; provided, notice of all changes, amendments or supplements be given to all organizations party to this agreement.

DECISIONS PROMULGATED,

9. It may cause its proceedings or rulings, or any part thereof, in any case which may be deemed of sufficient importance to serve as a precedent, to be published in such a manner as may be prescribed.

PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

10. Whenever any body or persons shall desire to submit any matter for the consideration of the Board, it shall be presented to the chairman by a concise statement thereof, and accompanied by such evidence as may be in support of such statement. Notice shall be given to any other body or person interested in the matter to make answer and to present appropriate evidence in support thereof.

MINOR LEAGUE MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE 6. An application for membership and protection under this Agreement must be made in writing or by telegraph to the Secretary of the Board. If made by telegraph it must state the name of the League, the cities comprising the circuit and have the signature of the President of the League, which must be followed within ten days by a written application to the Sec-

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retary of the Board stating the name of the League, the cities comprising the circuit, the representatives of the respective cities, the location of their business offices and playing grounds, if practical, the monthly salary limit for its club teams and maximum monthly salary limit of its players, a pledge or agreement for the maintenance of said salary limit and the faithful performance of its obligations under this Agreement, its own Constitution and By-Laws and its other contractual obligations, which club membership, location of club offices and playing grounds, salary limit, Constitution, Agreements, By-Laws and pledges, shall not, after approval by the Board, be changed, modified, altered or released without the assent of the Board.

CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE 7. The Board, upon the receipt of an application for protection and membership under this Agreement, shall, after consideration and approval, determine the class under which the applicant shall be admitted, the said classification to be based upon the average population of the cities composing the League according to the last published U. S. Census preceding the application, and membership fee shall be an amount fixed by the Board for Leagues of that class.

MINOR LEAGUE REPRESENTATION.

ARTICLE 8. Each Minor League shall be entitled to one representative of its own selection, who shall have the right to appear before the Board upon any or all matters pertaining to its interest or welfare, but the Board may, at its discretion, invite additional representation in the adjustment of any matter which may be brought before it.

FEE FOR PROTECTION AND MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE 9. The fee for membership and protection under this Agreement, with the right of reservation subject to Articles 10 and 11 shall be:

- For each Club in Class A the sum of \$75.
- For each Club in Class B the sum of \$50.
- For each Club in Class C the sum of \$40.
- For each Club in Class D the sum of \$30.
- For each Club in Class E the sum of \$20.
- For each Club in Class F the sum of \$10.

Such payments to be made within thirty days from the date of filing the written application for membership.

SELECTION OF PLAYERS BY THE MAJOR LEAGUE.

ARTICLE 10. For the purpose of enabling players to advance in their profession, the Major League may, at any time after the first of October of each year, and prior to the first of January following, with the consent of the Board, negotiate with any player then under contract or reservation to a minor league under this Agreement, and shall have the right to select such player, upon payment to the Secretary of the Board the sum specified in Article 12, provided that no such selection shall be enforced and no transfer of a player shall be made unless he shall receive an increase of salary.

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ARTICLE 11. For the purpose of enabling players to advance in their profession and to assist in building up clubs of minor leagues, a club of a higher class shall have the right, with the consent of the Board, after January 1 of each year, and prior to the first of February following, to select players from a league in a lower class upon payment to the Secretary of the Board the sum specified in Article 12, provided that no such selection shall be enforced, and no transfer of a player shall be made unless he shall receive an increase of salary.

TERMS FOR SELECTION OF PLAYERS.

ARTICLE 12—SEC. 1. Clubs from a high class selecting players from leagues of a lower class shall pay to the Secretary of the Board for the benefit and account of the club from which the selection is made the following sums, viz.:

- For Players in Class A, \$500.
- For Players in Class B, \$300.
- For Players in Class C, \$200.
- For Players in Class D, \$100.
- For Players in Class E, \$75.
- For Players in Class F, \$50.

SEC. 2. Payments must be made at the time of selection, and unless such payment be withdrawn and the selection cancelled by the selecting club within thirty days from the date of selection, the Secretary of the Board shall remit to the club the amount received by him on account of such selection.

SEC. 3. Any club entitled to make selection of a player and desiring to do so, shall notify the Secretary of the Board stating the name of the player and of the club with which he is under contract and reservation and enclosing amount specified in Section 1, Article 12, to be paid for such release. The Secretary shall thereupon notify the club or league from which such selection is to be made and shall order his transfer to the selecting club. Notice of such selection and transfer shall thereupon be promulgated.

ASSIGNMENT OF UNDEVELOPED PLAYERS.

ARTICLE 13. For the purpose of retaining control of undeveloped but promising players whose releases have been purchased, all Leagues, parties to this Agreement, may, prior to the opening of its championship season, assign its surplus players to a club member of any other League party to this Agreement, upon mutual agreement between the clubs interested; providing no other club member of the League from which the assignment is to be made desires such player at the drafting price of the League with which he played last prior to becoming a National League player. Notice of such transfers and assignments and the conditions governing must be filed with the Secretary of the Board, and the salary of the player must not be less than the salary limit adopted by the league to which he has been assigned.

ART. 14. Any club member of the major league may at any time between April 1 and October 1 negotiate with a club member of a minor league, party to this Agreement, for the release of a player from minor to major

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league, to take effect after October 1 of the same year, or for an immediate release if the Constitution of such minor league permits, and such release shall at once be filed with and promulgated by the Secretary of the Board and become binding upon both clubs party to the transfer.

ART. 15. Any club member of a minor league, party to this Agreement, may at any time during its championship season negotiate for the immediate release of a player from a club member of another league where the league constitution of the releasing club permits, and such release, if secured, shall, when filed with the Secretary of the Board, become binding upon both clubs party to the transfer, providing the salary of the player so transferred during the championship season shall not be reduced during the balance of the season unless he be given an unconditional release.

CONTRACTS.

ARTICLE 16. Contracts between clubs and players shall be in writing in the form approved by the Board. An informal contract, whether evidenced by telegram or other writing, shall be valid for a period not exceeding thirty days, but a formal contract must be tendered by the contracting club to the contracting player within said thirty days. The failure of the club to so tender such formal contract will release the player from all contractual obligations thereunder, and the refusal of the player to execute such formal contract, when so tendered, shall extend the validity of his informal contract until he shall execute said formal contract.

UNLAWFUL CONTRACTS.

ARTICLE 17. No club shall at any time enter into negotiations or contract with any player under contract to or reservation by another club without the latter's consent, under such fines and penalties as the Board may inflict.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE 18. Applications for membership by minor leagues desiring protection under this Agreement must be made each year to the Secretary of the Board, as provided in Article 6.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP.

ARTICLE 19. All rights under this Agreement shall terminate on the first day of October unless renewed between the fifteenth and twenty-fifth of September of each year, according to Article 18.

NEW LEAGUES.

ARTICLE 20. Newly organized leagues may ask for and be admitted to membership at any time, but such membership shall terminate on the first of October following unless renewed according to Article 19.

RESERVATION.

ARTICLE 21. On or before the 25th day of September in each year the secretaries of minor leagues, parties hereto, entitled to the privilege of reservation, shall transmit to the Secretary of the Board a reserve list of players, not exceeding fourteen in number, then under contract with each of its several club members for the current season, and in addition thereto a list of such players reserved in any prior annual reserve list who have refused to contract with such clubs and of all ineligible players. Such players, together with all others thereafter to be regularly contracted with by

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such clubs, are and shall be ineligible to contract with any other club of any league, except as herein prescribed. The Secretary of said Board shall thereupon promulgate such lists, provided that no club shall be permitted to reserve any player while in arrears of salary to him.

RELEASE FROM RESERVATION.

ARTICLE 22. The Board may also release from contract or reservation any player or manager when the club with which he has contracted, or by which he has been reserved, shall be in arrears to him for salary for more than fifteen days after such salary became due, or when the reserving club has failed to tender to any player, on or before the first day of March, after such reservation, a formal contract, with a salary of at least such an amount per month as the Board may fix as the minimum salary to be paid to such player, or when any such reserving club has transferred its membership after the close of the championship season to a different league, if the Board shall deem that the player will be prejudiced by such transfer.

INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS IN CONFLICT WITH THE NATIONAL AGREEMENT.

ARTICLE 23—SEC. 1. Any club member of any Minor league or association, a party to or identified with the National Agreement, that shall enter into any negotiation to become a member of or in any way co-operate with any organization of professional base ball clubs whose existence will in any manner conflict with the letter and spirit of this Agreement or the interests of any of the clubs operating under it, shall forthwith forfeit all rights and privileges conferred by this Agreement, said forfeiture to include its membership in any association a party to this Agreement, and all rights of reservation to players reserved during the current or any preceding season. The penalty herein imposed shall be positive and final and shall not be revoked unless by the unanimous consent of the Board or upon appeal by a three-fourths vote of the major league.

SEC. 2. Any officer, manager or player who shall enter into any such negotiations as referred to in Section 1 of Article 23, or who shall agree or contract to play with any club a member of such organization shall be declared ineligible and subject to all the disabilities referred to in the preceding section.

DISQUALIFIED PLAYERS.

ARTICLE 24. When a player or manager under contract or reservation by any club of an association party hereto shall be expelled, suspended or rendered ineligible in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement or the rules of such association, notice of such disqualification shall be given to the Board by the secretary of the association from whose club the player may have been thus disqualified, and the Board shall forthwith give notice of such disqualification to the several leagues acting under this Agreement. When a player shall become ineligible under the provisions of this Agreement, or by order of the Board, the Secretary of the Board shall notify the several clubs acting under this Agreement of such disqualification. From the receipt of any such notice all club members of associations acting under this Agreement shall be debarred from employing or playing with or against

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such disqualified player until the period of disqualification shall have terminated or the disqualification be revoked by the association from which such player was disqualified or by the Board, and due notice of such revocation shall be given by the Board to the said several clubs.

SUSPENSION OF PLAYERS.

ARTICLE 25. Any player who has entered into a contract with any club of an association party hereto may be suspended without pay or fined by such club or association for breach of contract or breach of any of the rules of such club or association, and he shall thereafter be ineligible to sign or play during the remainder of the current season with any of the clubs of any association acting hereunder, unless such disability shall have been sooner removed by the club or association by which he was suspended or by the Board.

ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE.

ARTICLE 26. Upon the release of a player from contract or reservation with any club member of an association then acting under this Agreement (unless the release be made by "selection" under Article 10 or 11), the services of such player shall at once be subject to acceptance by any club belonging to the same association, expressed in writing or by telegraph to the Secretary of the Board, for a period of ten days after notice of said release; and, thereafter, if said services be not so accepted, said player may negotiate and contract with any club. The releasing club shall send notice to the Secretary of the Board of said player's release on the date thereof, and the latter shall promulgate any acceptance of his services. Provided that the disbandment of a club or its expulsion from membership in either association acting hereunder shall operate as a release of all of its players from contract with or reservation by said club. But the services of such players shall at once be subject to the acceptance of such association for a period of ten days for the purpose of supplying the vacancy in its membership.

CONTROL AND DISCIPLINE.

ARTICLE 27. Each association shall have the right to make and enforce all rules and regulations pertaining to the control, discipline and compensation of all players under contract with its club members. And it may prescribe that all contracts with its players shall be made directly with said association, assignable to its club members, with the right of reservation to be exclusively exercised by said association, in which event all the provisions of this Agreement applying to contracts or reservation of players with and by club members, shall apply to such contracts and reservation of players with and by said association; provided that such rules and regulations shall in no way conflict with the provisions of this Agreement, or any rule, regulation or order of the Board.

TERRITORIAL RIGHTS.

ARTICLE 28. Each minor league whose application for membership under this Agreement has been accepted by the Board shall have exclusive control of its own territory until the termination of its membership, and no club from any other league party to this Agreement shall be allowed to play a

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game in any city of its circuit without the consent of the club representing such city, nor shall any club member of a minor league party hereto be allowed to play a game within five miles of any city in which is located a club member of the major league without the consent of such club.

INELIGIBLE PLAYERS.

ARTICLE 29. No game shall be played between any club of any league acting hereunder, or any of its players under contract or reservation, with any club containing an ineligible player; nor with a club that has played with another club containing such ineligible player. A violation of this section shall subject each offender to fine, suspension or expulsion, in the discretion of the Board.

TRANSFER OF PLAYERS.

ARTICLE 30. Should a club of any association agree in writing or by telegraph with another club of an association, subject to the National Agreement, for the release of any player then under contract or reservation with or by it, in accordance with the rules governing, either party may file said agreement with the Secretary of the Board, and should any such club refuse to comply with its said agreement, the Board may require said agreement to be complied with, and may transfer the said player accordingly.

PAYMENTS OF SALARIES.

ARTICLE 31. Before any league shall be granted the privileges and protection of this Agreement, it shall enact laws or regulations debaring any of its clubs from entering into contract with any player while under arrears of salary to him, and from suspending or otherwise attempting to disqualify such player for refusing to contract while it is so in arrears, and shall also provide for the expulsion of any club for refusal to pay arrears of salary to a player when required by said league or by the Board.

FORFEITURE OF RIGHTS.

ARTICLE 32. All rights of any league hereunder shall be forfeited for failing to expel any of its club members that may play a game of ball except under the Playing Rules adopted by the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs.

DEFINITION OF TERMS.

ARTICLE 33. The term "league or association" as herein used shall mean and comprise an organization of professional base ball clubs of not less than four clubs, whether known as a "league," "association," or by any other designation.

ARTICLE 34. This Agreement may be altered or amended at any time by the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs. It shall take effect and be in force from and after February 24, 1896, and all former Agreements are hereby revoked.

CLASSIFICATION OF LEAGUES TO BE GOVERNED BY THE AGGREGATE POPULATION OF THE CITIES REPRESENTED.

Class A.....	1,000,000	Class D.....	100,000 to 250,000
Class B.....	500,000 to 1,000,000	Class E.....	50,000 to 100,000
Class C.....	250,000 to 500,000	Class F—Up to.....	50,000

The Rules and Regulations of the National Board of Arbitration.

The following rules and regulations have been adopted by the National Board of Arbitration, and are here given in order that they may be understood by all those interested. The same being adopted and to remain in force until repealed, altered, added to or amended.

THE PRESIDENT.

1. The duties of the President shall be as follows:

(a) To issue calls for meetings of the Board, and preside at such meetings; having all powers with reference thereto which are incident to a presiding officer.

(b) To rule upon and decide all incidental and routine matters presented for determination, with power to delegate this duty to the Secretary or any member of the Board.

(c) To supervise the performance of the duties imposed upon the other members of the Board.

(d) To see that each and all of the orders of this Board are complied with.

THE SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

2. The offices of the Secretary and Treasurer may be filled by one and the same person, and the duties of such officer shall be as follows:

(a) To receive, receipt for and disburse all moneys payable to this Board, and to make all financial statements required by the provisions of the National Agreement.

(b) To keep the records of the proceedings of the Board, together with all the records required to be kept by the provisions of the National Agreement.

(c) To issue all notices required by the National Agreement to be issued.

(d) To give interpretation to the playing rules when requested so to do, pursuant to the provisions of the National Agreement.

(e) To receive all applications for membership under the National Agreement, and to see that the applicants pay their proper dues.

(f) To give notice of all fines and penalties imposed by the Board, and to see that the same are paid.

(g) To attend to such other matters as may be required of him by the Board, and to keep records of all the business and duties connected with the Board.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ELECTIONS.

The Chairman and the Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected annually at some meeting after the first of January, and shall hold until their successors are elected and qualify.

OPINIONS AND DECISIONS.

Whenever any controversy or matter to be submitted to the Board of adjustment or decision shall be forwarded, together with all evidence and documents therewith connected, to the Secretary and Treasurer, he shall, after submitting the same to the Board, promulgate or publish the opinion, which must be prepared by the Chairman or such other member of the Board as he shall designate.

SELECTION OF PLAYERS.

Whenever any player shall be "selected" by more than one club, the Board will award him to the club which shall have first filed formal notice with the Secretary that it desires the services of said player. Such notice, however, must be accompanied by the deposit required by the provisions of the National Agreement, otherwise such notice will be of no effect and void. A player so awarded shall be ineligible to sign with any other club, and upon declining to abide by the decisions of the Board, may be included in the regular list of reserved players of the club selecting him, as per the provisions of Article 21 of the National Agreement.

ACCEPTED PLAYERS.

Whenever the services of any player released under the provisions of the National Agreement are accepted by any club or association, authorized so to do by the provisions of such agreement, notice thereof shall be at once given to the Secretary, who shall accordingly promulgate the fact.

PAYMENTS.

All expenses of the Board, including compensation to the Secretary and Treasurer, or to any other agent, officer or member of the Board for special work performed, telegraphing, postage and such other expenses as shall be allowed, must be paid by check of the Secretary and Treasurer and vouchers taken thereof, which vouchers shall be submitted at least once a year to the Board for examination and approval.

THE NATIONAL BOARD

OF

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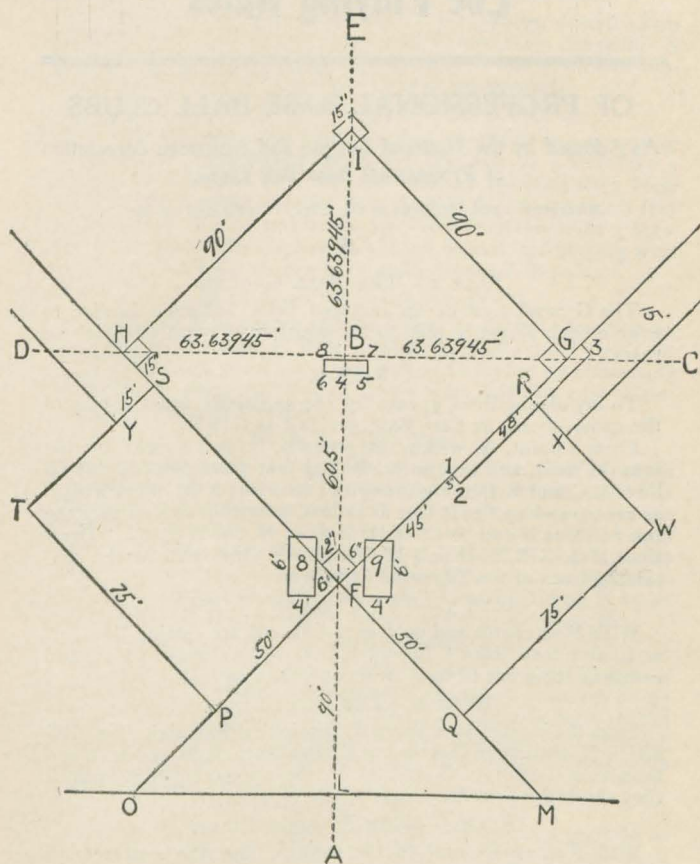
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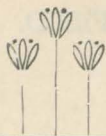
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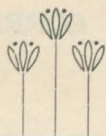
CORRECT DIAGRAM OF A BALL FIELD.



NOTE.—For Specifications See Rules From No. 2 to No. 12.



The Playing Rules



OF PROFESSIONAL BASE BALL CLUBS

As Adopted by the National League and American Association
of Professional Base Ball Clubs.

Alterations and additions to the rules are indicated by *Italics*.



RULE 1.—THE BALL GROUND.

The Ground must be an inclosed field, sufficient in size to enable each player to play in his position as required by these rules.

RULE 2.

To lay off the lines governing the positions and the play of the game known as Base Ball, proceed as follows:

From a point, A, within the grounds, project a right line out into the field, and at a point, B, 154 feet from point A, lay off lines B C and B D at right angles to the line A B; then, with B as centre and 63.63945 feet as radius, describe arcs cutting the lines B A at F and B C at G, B D at H and B E at I. Draw lines F G, G E, E H and H F, and said lines will be the containing lines of the Diamond or Infield.

RULE 3.—THE CATCHER'S LINES.

With F as centre and 90 feet radius, an arc cutting line F A at L, and draw lines L M and L O at right angles to F A, and continue same out from F A not less than 90 feet.

RULE 4.—THE FOUL LINE.

From the intersection point, F, continue the straight lines F G and F H until they intersect with the lines L M and L O, and then from the points G and H in the opposite direction until they reach the boundary lines of the grounds.

RULE 5.—THE PLAYERS' LINES.

With F as centre and 50 feet radius, describe arcs cutting lines F O and F M at P and Q; then, with F as centre again and 75 feet radius, describe arcs cutting F G and F H at R and S; then, from the points P, Q, R and S draw lines at right angles to the lines F O, F M, F G and F H, and continue same until they intersect at the points T and W.

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RULE 6.—THE CAPTAIN AND COACHER'S LINE.

With R and S as centres and 15 feet radius, describe arcs cutting lines R W and S T at X and Y, and from the points X and Y draw lines parallel with lines F H and F G, and continue same out to the boundary lines of the ground.

RULE 7.—THE THREE FOOT LINE.

With F as centre and 45 feet radius, describe an arc cutting line F G at 1, and from 1 out to the distance of 3 feet draw a line at right angles to F G, and marked point 2; then from point 2, draw a line parallel with the line F G to a point 3 feet beyond the point G, and marked 3; then from the point 3 draw a line at right angles to line 2, 3, back to and intersecting with line F G, and from thence back along line G F to point 1.

RULE 8.—THE PITCHER'S PLATE.

With point F as centre and 60.5 feet as radius, describe an arc cutting the line F B at a point 4, and draw a line 5, 6, passing through point 4 and extending 12 inches on either side of line F B; then with line 5, 6, as a side, describe a parallelogram 24 inches by 6 inches.

RULE 9.—THE BASES.

Within the angle F, describe a square the sides of which shall be 12 inches, two of its sides lying upon the lines F G and F H, and within the angles G and H describe squares the sides of which shall be 15 inches, the two outer sides of said square lying upon the lines F G and G I and F H and H I, and at the angle E describe a square whose sides shall be 15 inches and so described that its sides shall be parallel with G I and I H, and its centre immediately over the angular point E.

RULE 10.—THE BATSMAN'S LINE.

On either side of the line A F B describe two parallelograms 6 feet long and 4 feet wide (marked 8 and 9), their length being parallel with the line A F B, their distance apart being 6 inches added to each end of the length of the diagonal of the square within the angle F, and the centre of their length being upon said diagonal.

RULE 11.

The Home Base at F and the Pitcher's Plate at 4 must be of whitened rubber, and so fixed in the ground as to be even with the surface.

RULE 12.

The First Base at G, the Second Base at E, and the Third Base at H must be of white canvas bags, filled with soft material and securely fastened in their positions described in Rule 9.

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RULE 13.

The lines described in Rules 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10 must be marked with lime, chalk or other suitable material, so as to be distinctly seen by the umpire.

NOTE.—For a simple way to lay off a ball field see page 151.

RULE 14.—THE BALL.*

SECTION 1. Must not weigh less than five nor more than five and one-quarter ounces avoirdupois, and it must measure not less than nine nor more than nine and one-quarter inches in circumference. The Spalding League Ball, or the Reach American Association Ball, must be used in all games played under these rules.

SEC. 2. For each championship game two regulation balls shall be furnished by the home club to the umpire for use. When the ball in play is batted to foul ground and out of sight of the umpire, the other ball shall be immediately brought into play. As often as one of the two in use shall be lost a new one must be substituted, so that the umpire shall at all times after the game begins have two balls in his possession and ready for use. The moment an umpire delivers an alternate ball to the pitcher, it comes into play, and shall not be exchanged until it, in turn, passes out of sight to foul ground. At no time shall the ball be intentionally discolored by rubbing it with the soil or otherwise. In the event of a new ball being intentionally discolored, or otherwise injured by a player, the umpire shall, upon appeal from the captain of the opposite side, forthwith demand the return of that ball, and shall substitute another new ball and impose a fine of \$5.00 upon the offending player.

SEC. 3. In all games the balls played with shall be furnished by the home club, and the last ball in play shall become the property of the winning club. Each ball to be used in championship games shall be examined, measured and weighed by the Secretary of the League, inclosed in a paper box, and sealed with the seal of the Secretary, which seal shall not be broken, except by the umpire, in the presence of the captains of the two contesting nines after play has been called.

The home club shall have, at least, a dozen regulation balls

* The Spalding League Ball has been adopted by the National League for the past twenty-two years, and is used in all League contests.

For junior clubs (clubs composed of boys under 16 years of age) we recommend them to use the Spalding Boys' League Ball, and that games played by junior clubs with this ball will count as legal games the same as if played with the Official League Ball.

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on the field ready for use on the call of the umpire during each championship game.

SEC. 4. Should the ball become cut or ripped so as to expose the interior, or in any way so injured as to be, in the opinion of the umpire, unfit for fair use, he shall, upon appeal by either captain, at once put the alternate ball into play and call for a new ball.

RULE 15.—THE BAT.

Must be entirely of hard wood, except that the handle may be wound with twine or a granulated substance supplied, not to exceed eighteen inches from the end.

It must be round, and it must not exceed two and three-quarter inches in diameter in the thickest part, nor exceed forty-two inches in length.

RULE 16.—THE PLAYERS AND THEIR POSITIONS.

The players of each club in a game shall be nine in number, one of whom shall act as captain, and in no case shall less than nine men be allowed to play on each side.

RULE 17.

The players' positions shall be such as may be assigned them by their captain, except that the pitcher, while in the act of delivering the ball to the bat, must take his position as defined in Rules 8 and 29; *and the catcher must stand within the lines of his position as defined in Rule 3, whenever the pitcher delivers the ball to the bat.*

RULE 18.

Players in uniform shall not be permitted to occupy seats on the stands, or to stand among the spectators.

RULE 19.

SECTION 1. Every club shall adopt uniforms for its players, *and the suits of each team shall conform in color and style.* No player *who* shall attach anything to the sole or heel of his shoes other than the ordinary base ball shoe plate, *or who shall appear in a uniform not conforming to the suits of the other members of his team, shall be permitted to take part in the game.*

SEC. 2. The catcher and first baseman are permitted to wear a glove or mit of any size, shape or weight. All other players are restricted to the use of a glove or mit weighing not over ten ounces, and measuring in circumference, around the palm of the hand, not over fourteen inches.

RULE 20.—PLAYERS' BENCHES.

SECTION 1. The players' benches must be furnished by the home club and placed upon a portion of the ground *not less*

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than twenty-five (25) feet outside of the players' lines. One such bench shall be for the exclusive use of the visiting club, and one for the exclusive use of the home club. *The benches must be covered by a roof and closed at the back and each end; a space, however, not more than six (6) inches wide may be left just under the roof for ventilation.* All players of the side at bat must be seated on their bench, except such as are legally assigned to coach base-runners, and also the batsman, except when called to the bat by the umpire, and under no circumstances shall the umpire permit any person, except managers and players in uniform to occupy seats on the benches.

SEC. 2. To enforce this rule the captain of the other side may call the attention of the umpire to a violation, whereupon the umpire shall immediately order such player or players to be seated. If the order is not obeyed within one minute the offending player or players shall be *fined \$5.00 each by the umpire.* *If the order is not then obeyed within one minute, the offending player or players shall be debarred from further participation in the game, and shall be obliged to leave the playing field forthwith.*

RULE 21.—THE GAME.

SECTION 1. Every championship game must be commenced not later than two hours before sunset.

SEC. 2. A game shall consist of nine innings to each contesting nine, except that

(a.) If the side first at bat scores less runs in nine innings than the other side has scored in eight innings, the game shall then terminate.

(b.) If the side last at bat in the ninth innings scores the winning run before the third man is out, the game shall terminate.

RULE 22.—A TIE GAME.

If the score be a tie at the end of the nine innings, play shall be continued until one side has scored more runs than the other in an equal number of innings, provided, that the side last at the bat scores the winning run before the third man is out, the game shall terminate.

RULE 23.—A DRAWN GAME.

A drawn game shall be declared by the umpire when he terminates a game on account of darkness or rain, after five equal innings have been played, if the score at the time is equal on the last even innings played; except when the side that went second to bat is then at the bat, and has scored the same number of runs as the other side, in which case the umpire shall declare the game drawn without regard to the score of the last equal innings.

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RULE 24.—A CALLED GAME.

If the umpire calls "Game" on account of darkness or rain at any time after five innings have been completed, the score shall be that of the last equal innings played, *but if the side second at bat shall have scored in an unequal number of innings, or before the completion of its unfinished inning one or more runs than the side first at bat*, the score of the game shall be the total number of runs made.

RULE 25.—A FORFEITED GAME.

A forfeited game shall be declared by the umpire in favor of the club not in fault, at the request of such club, in the following cases:

SECTION 1. If the nine of a club fail to appear upon the field, or being upon the field, fail to begin the game within five minutes after the umpire has called "Play" at the hour appointed for the beginning of the game, unless such delay in appearing, or in commencing the game, be unavoidable.

SEC. 2. If, after the game has begun, one side refuses or fails to continue playing, unless such game has been suspended or terminated by the umpire.

SEC. 3. If, after play has been suspended by the umpire, one side fails to resume playing within one minute after the umpire has called "Play."

SEC. 4. If a team resorts to dilatory movements to delay the game.

SEC. 5. If, in the opinion of the umpire, any one of the rules of the game is wilfully violated.

SEC. 6. If, after ordering the removal of a player, as authorized by Rules 20, 52 and 61, said order is not obeyed within one minute.

SEC. 7. If, because of removal of players from the game by the umpire, there be less than nine players in either team.

SEC. 8. If, when two games are scheduled to be played on the same afternoon, the second game is not commenced within ten minutes of the time of completion of the first game. The umpire of the first game shall be the timekeeper.

SEC. 9. In case the umpire declares the game forfeited, he shall transmit a written notice thereof to the president of the League within twenty-four hours thereafter. However, a failure on the part of the umpire to so notify the president shall not affect his decision declaring the game forfeited.

RULE 26.—NO GAME.

"No game" shall be declared by the umpire if he shall terminate play on account of rain or darkness before five innings

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on each side are completed. Except in a case when the game is called, and the club second at bat shall have more runs at the end of its fourth innings than the club first at bat has made in its five completed innings; in such case the umpire shall award the game to the club having made the greatest number of runs, and it shall be a legal game and be so counted in the championship record.

RULE 27.—SUBSTITUTES.

SECTION 1. In *any* championship game each side shall be required to have present on the field, in uniform, *conforming to the suits worn by their team mates*, a sufficient number of substitute players to carry out the provision which requires that not less than nine players shall occupy the field in any innings of a game.

SEC. 2. Any such player may be substituted at any time by either club, but a player thereby retired shall not thereafter participate in the game.

SEC. 3. The base-runner shall not have a substitute run for him except by the consent of the captains of the contesting teams.

RULE 28.—CHOICE OF INNINGS—CONDITION OF GROUND.

The choice of innings shall be given to the captain of the home club, who shall also be the sole judge of the fitness of the ground for beginning a game after rain, but, after play has been called by the umpire, he alone shall be the judge as to the fitness of the ground for resuming play after the game has been suspended on account of rain.

RULE 29.—THE PITCHER'S POSITION.

The pitcher shall take his position facing the batsman with both feet square on the ground, and in front of the pitcher's plate; but in the act of delivering the ball to the bat, one foot must be in contact with the pitcher's plate, defined in Rule 8. He shall not raise either foot, unless in the act of delivering the ball to the bat, nor make more than one step in such delivery.

RULE 30.—A FAIRLY DELIVERED BALL.

A Fairly Delivered Ball to the bat is a ball pitched or thrown to the bat by the pitcher while standing in his position and facing the batsman, the ball so delivered to pass over any portion of the home base not lower than the batsman's knee nor higher than his shoulder,

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RULE 31.—AN UNFAIRLY DELIVERED BALL.

An Unfairly Delivered Ball is a ball delivered by the pitcher, as in Rule 30, except that the ball does not pass over any portion of the home base, or does pass over the home base, above the batsman's shoulder or below the line of his knee.

RULE 32.—BALKING.

A Balk shall be:

SECTION 1. Any motion made by the pitcher to deliver the ball to the bat or to ~~the~~ base without delivering it.

SEC. 2. *The throwing of the ball by the pitcher to any base to catch the base-runner without first stepping directly towards said base immediately before throwing the ball.*

SEC. 3. Any delivery of the ball to the bat by the pitcher while his (pivot) foot is not in contact with the pitcher's plate, and he is not facing the batsman, as defined in Rule 29.

SEC. 4. Any motion in delivering the ball to the bat by the pitcher while not in the position defined in Rule 29.

SEC. 5. The holding of the ball by the pitcher so long as, in the opinion of the umpire, to delay the game unnecessarily.

SEC. 6. Standing in position and making any motion to pitch without having the ball in his possession.

SEC. 7. The making of any motion the pitcher habitually makes in his method of delivery, without his immediately delivering the ball to the bat.

SEC. 8. *If the pitcher delivers the ball to the bat when the catcher is standing outside the lines of the catcher's position as defined in Rule 3.*

If the pitcher fails to comply with the requirements of any Section of this Rule the umpire must call "A balk."

RULE 33.—DEAD BALLS.

A Dead Ball is a ball delivered to the bat by the pitcher that touches any part of the batsman's person or clothing while standing in his position without being struck at, or that touches any part of the umpire's person or clothing while he is standing on foul ground without first passing the catcher.

RULE 34.

In case of a foul strike, foul hit ball not legally caught out, dead ball, or base-runner put out for being struck by a fair-hit ball, the ball shall not be considered in play until it is held by the pitcher standing in his position, and the umpire shall have called play.

RULE 35.—BLOCK BALLS.

SECTION 1. A Block is a batted or thrown ball that is touched, stopped or handled by any person not engaged in the game.

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SEC. 2. Whenever a block occurs the umpire shall declare it, and the base-runners may run the bases without being put out until the ball has been returned to and held by the pitcher standing in his position.

SEC. 3. In the case of a block, if the person not engaged in the game should retain possession of the ball, or throw or kick it beyond the reach of the fielders, the umpire should call "Time" and require each base-runner to stop at the last base touched by him until the ball be returned to the pitcher standing in his position and the umpire shall have called "Play."

RULE 36.—THE BATSMAN'S POSITION—ORDER OF BATTING.

The batsmen must take their position within the batsman's lines, as defined in Rule 10, in the order in which they are named in the batting order, which batting order must be submitted by the captains of the opposing teams to the umpire before the game, and this batting order must be followed except in the case of a substitute player, in which case the substitute must take the place of the original player in the batting order. After the first inning the first striker in each inning shall be the batsman whose name follows that of the last man who has completed his turn—time at bat—in the preceding inning.

RULE 37.

SECTION 1. When their side goes to the bat the players must immediately return to the players' bench, as defined in Rule 20, and remain there until the side is put out, except when called to the bat or they become coaches or substitute base-runners; provided, that the captain or one player only, except that if two or more base-runners are occupying the bases then the captain and one player, or two players, may occupy the space between the players' lines and the captain's lines to coach base-runners.

SEC. 2. No player of the side "at bat," except when batsman, shall occupy any portion of the space within the catcher's lines, as defined in Rule 3. The triangular space behind the home base is reserved for the exclusive use of umpire, catcher and batsman, and the umpire must prohibit any player of the side "at bat" from crossing the same at any time while the ball is in the hands of, or passing between, the pitcher and catcher, while standing in their positions.

SEC. 3. The players of the side "at bat" must occupy the portion of the field allotted them, but must speedily vacate any portion thereof that may be in the way of the ball, or any fielder attempting to catch or field it.

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RULE 38.—THE BATTING RULES.

SECTION 1. A Fair Hit is a ball batted by the batsman—while he is standing within the lines of his position—that first touches “fair” ground, or the person of a player, or the umpire, while standing on fair ground, and then settles on fair ground before passing the line of first or third base.

SEC. 2. A Foul Hit is a similarly batted ball that first touches “foul” ground, or the person of a player, or the umpire, while standing on “foul” ground.

SEC. 3. Should such “fair hit” ball bound or roll to foul ground, before passing the line of first or third base, and settle on foul ground, it shall be declared by the umpire a foul ball.

SEC. 4. Should such “foul hit” ball bound or roll to fair ground and settle there before passing the line of first or third base, it shall be declared by the umpire a fair ball.

RULE 39.

A foul tip is a ball batted by the batsman while standing within the lines of his position that goes foul sharp from the bat to the catcher's hands.

RULE 40.

A bunt hit is a ball delivered by the pitcher to the batsman who, while standing within the lines of his position, makes a deliberate attempt to hit the ball so slowly within the infield that it cannot be fielded in time to retire the batsman. If such a “bunt hit” goes to foul ground a strike shall be called by the umpire.

RULE 41.—BALLS BATTED OUTSIDE THE GROUNDS.

When a batted ball passes outside the grounds, the umpire shall decide it Fair should it disappear within, or Foul should it disappear outside of the range of the foul lines, and Rule 38 is to be construed accordingly.

RULE 42.

A fair batted ball that goes over the fence shall entitle the batsman to a home run, except, that should it go over the fence at a less distance than two hundred and thirty-five (235) feet from the home base, when he shall be entitled to two bases only, and a distinctive line shall be marked on the fence at this point.

RULE 43.—STRIKES.

A strike is :

SECTION 1. A ball struck at by the batsman without its touching his bat ; or,

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SEC. 2. A fair ball legally delivered by the pitcher, but not struck at by the batsman.

SEC. 3. Any intentional effort to hit the ball to foul ground, also in the case of a "bunt hit," which sends the ball to foul ground, either directly, or by bounding or rolling from fair ground to foul ground, and which settles on foul ground.

SEC. 4. A ball struck at, if the ball touches any part of the batsman's person.

SEC. 5. *A foul tip by the batsman, caught by the catcher while standing within the lines of his position.*

RULE 44.

A Foul Strike is a ball batted by the batsman when any part of his person is upon ground outside the lines of the batsman's position.

RULE 45.—THE BATSMAN IS OUT.

The Batsman is Out :

SECTION 1. If he fails to take his position at the bat in his order of batting, unless the error be discovered and the proper batsman takes his position before a time "at bat" is recorded, and, in such case, the balls and strikes called must be counted in the time "at bat" of the proper batsman, and only the proper batsman shall be declared out, and no runs shall be scored or bases run because of any act of the improper batsman, provided, this rule shall not take effect unless the out is declared before the ball is delivered to the succeeding batsman. Should batsman declared out by this rule be sufficient to retire the side, the proper batsman the next innings is the player who would have come to bat had the players been out by ordinary play.

SEC. 2. If he fails to take his position within one minute after the umpire has called for the batsman.

SEC. 3. If he makes a foul hit other than a foul tip, as defined in Rule 39, and the ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground; provided, it be not caught in a fielder's hat or cap, or touched by some object other than a fielder before being caught.

SEC. 4. If he makes a foul strike.

SEC. 5. If he attempts to hinder the catcher from fielding or throwing the ball by stepping outside the lines of the position, or otherwise obstructing or interfering with the player.

SEC. 6. If, while the first base be occupied by a base-runner, three strikes be called on him by the umpire, except when two men are already out.

SEC. 7. If, after two strikes have been called, the batsman obviously attempts to make a foul hit, as in Rule 43, section 3.

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SEC. 8. If, while attempting a third strike, the ball touches any part of the batsman's person, in which case base-runners occupying bases shall return as prescribed in Rule 49, section 5.

SEC. 9. If he hits a fly ball that can be handled by an infielder while first and second bases are occupied, or first, second and third with only one out. In such case the umpire shall, as soon as the ball is hit, declare infield or outfield hit.

SEC. 10. If the third strike is called in accordance with section 4, Rule 43.

SEC. 11. The moment a batsman is declared out by the umpire, he (the umpire) shall call for the batsman next in order to leave his seat on the bench and take his position at the bat, and such player of the batting side shall not leave his seat on the bench until so called to bat, except as provided by Rule 37, section 1, and Rule 52.

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RULE 46.—WHEN THE BATSMAN BECOMES A BASE-RUNNER.

The Batsman becomes a Base-Runner :

SECTION 1. Instantly after he makes a fair hit.

SEC. 2. Instantly after four balls have been called by the umpire.

SEC. 3. Instantly after three strikes have been declared by the umpire.

SEC. 4. If, while he be a batsman, without making any attempt to strike at the ball, his person or clothing be hit by a ball from the pitcher; unless, in the opinion of the umpire, he plainly avoids making any effort to get out of the way of the ball from the pitcher, and thereby permits himself to be so hit.

SEC. 5. *Instantly after "a Balk" is called by the umpire.*

SEC. 6. *If, while he be a batsman, the catcher interferes with him, preventing him from striking the ball.*

RULE 47.—BASES TO BE TOUCHED.

The base-runner must touch each base in regular order, viz., first, second, third and home bases, and when obliged to return (except on a foul hit) must retouch the base or bases in reverse order. He shall only be considered as holding a base after touching it, and shall then be entitled to hold such base until he has legally touched the next base in order or has been legally forced to vacate it for a succeeding base-runner. However, no base-runner shall score a run to count in the game until the base-runner preceding him in the batting list (provided there has been such a base-runner who has not been put

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out in that inning) shall have first touched home base without being put out.

RULE 48.—ENTITLED TO BASES.

The base-runner shall be entitled, without being put out, to take the base in the following cases:

SECTION 1. If, while he was batsman, the umpire called four balls.

SEC. 2. If the umpire awards a succeeding batsman a base on four balls, or for being hit with a pitched ball, or in case of an illegal delivery—as in Rule 46, section 5—and the base-runner is thereby forced to vacate the base held by him.

SEC. 3. If the umpire calls a "Balk."

SEC. 4. If a ball, delivered by the pitcher, pass the catcher, and touch the umpire, or any fence or building within ninety feet of the home base.

SEC. 5. If, upon a fair hit, the ball strikes the person or clothing of the umpire on fair ground.

SEC. 6. If he be prevented from making a base by the obstruction of an adversary, unless the latter be a fielder having the ball in his hand ready to meet the base-runner.

SEC. 7. If the fielder stop or catch a batted ball with his hat or any part of his uniform except his gloved hand.

RULE 49.—RETURNING TO BASES.

The base-runner shall return to his base, and shall be entitled to so return without being put out:

SECTION 1. If the umpire declares a foul tip (as defined in Rule 39), or any other foul hit not legally caught by a fielder.

SEC. 2. If the umpire declares a foul strike.

SEC. 3. If the umpire declares a dead ball, unless it be also the fourth unfair ball and he be thereby forced to take the next base, as provided in Rule 48, section 2.

SEC. 4. If the person or clothing of the umpire interferes with the catcher, or he is struck by a ball thrown by the catcher to intercept a base-runner.

SEC. 5. The base-runner shall return to his base if, while attempting a strike, the ball touches any part of the batsman's person.

RULE 50.—WHEN BASE-RUNNERS ARE OUT.

The Base-Runner is Out:

SECTION 1. If, after three strikes have been declared against him while batsman, and the catcher fail to catch the third strike ball, he plainly attempts to hinder the catcher from fielding the ball.

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SEC. 2. If, having made a fair hit while batsman, such fair hit ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground, or any object other than a fielder ; PROVIDED, it be not caught in a fielder's hat or cap.

SEC. 3. If, when the umpire has declared three strikes on him while batsman, the third strike ball be momentarily held by a fielder before touching the ground ; PROVIDED, it be not caught in a fielder's hat or cap, or touch some object other than a fielder before being caught.

SEC. 4. If, after three strikes or a fair hit, he be touched with the ball in the hand of a fielder before he shall have touched first base.

SEC. 5. If, after three strikes or a fair hit, the ball be securely held by a fielder while touching first base with any part of his person before such base-runner touches first base.

SEC. 6. If, in running the last half of the distance from home base to first base, while the ball is being fielded to first base, he runs outside the three-foot lines, as defined in Rule 7, unless to avoid a fielder attempting to field a batted ball.

SEC. 7. If, in running from first to second base, from second to third base, or from third to home base, he runs more than three feet from a direct line between such bases to avoid being touched by the ball in the hands of a fielder ; but in case a fielder be occupying the base-runner's proper path in attempting to field a batted ball, then the base-runner shall run out of the path, and behind said fielder, and shall not be declared out for so doing.

SEC. 8. If he fails to avoid a fielder attempting to field a batted ball, in the manner described in sections 6 and 7 of this rule, or if he, in any way, obstructs a fielder attempting to field a batted ball, or intentionally interferes with a thrown ball ; PROVIDED, that if two or more fielders attempt to field a batted ball, and the base-runner comes in contact with one or more of them, the umpire shall determine which fielder is entitled to the benefit of this rule, and shall not decide the base-runner out for coming in contact with any other fielder.

SEC. 9. If, at any time while the ball is in play, he be touched by the ball in the hands of a fielder, unless some part of his person is touching a base he is entitled to occupy ; PROVIDED, the ball be held by the fielder after touching him.

SEC. 10. The base-runner in running to first base may over-run said base, without being put out for being off said base, after first touching it, provided he returns at once and retouches the base, after which he may be put out as at any other base. If, in over-running first base, he also attempts to run to second

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base, or after passing the base he turns to his left from the foul line, he shall forfeit such exemption from being put out.

SEC. 11. If, when a fair or foul hit ball (other than a foul tip as referred to in Rule 39) is legally caught by a fielder, such ball is legally held by a fielder on the base occupied by the base-runner when such ball was struck (or the base-runner be touched with the ball in the hands of a fielder), before he retouches said base after such fair or foul hit ball was so caught; PROVIDED, that the base-runner shall not be out, in such case, if, after the ball was legally caught as above, it be delivered to the bat by the pitcher before the fielder holds it on said base, or touches the base-runner with it; but if the base-runner, in attempting to reach a base, detaches it before being touched or forced out, he shall be declared safe.

SEC. 12. If, when a batsman becomes a base-runner, the first base, or the first and second bases, or the first, second and third bases, be occupied, any base-runner so occupying a base shall cease to be entitled to hold it, until any following base-runner is put out, and may be put out at the next base, or by being touched by the ball in the hands of a fielder in the same manner as in running to first base at any time before any following base-runner is put out.

SEC. 13. If a fair hit ball strike him before touching the fielder, and, in such case, no base shall be run unless forced by the batsman becoming a base-runner, and no run shall be scored or any other base-runner put out.

SEC. 14. If, when running to a base, or forced to return to a base, he fail to touch the intervening base, or bases, if any, in the order prescribed in Rule 47, he may be put out at the base he fails to touch, or being touched by the ball in the hands of the fielder in the same manner as in running to first base; PROVIDED, that the base-runner shall not be out in such case if the ball be delivered to the bat by the pitcher before the fielder holds it on said base or touches the base-runner with it.

SEC. 15. If, when the umpire calls "Play," after any suspension of a game, he fails to return to and touch the base he occupied when "Time" was called before touching the next base; PROVIDED, the base-runner shall not be out, in such case, if the ball be delivered to the bat by the pitcher before the fielder holds it on said base or touches the base-runner with it.

RULE 51.—WHEN BATSMAN OR BASE-RUNNER IS OUT.

The umpire shall declare the batsman or base-runner out, without waiting for an appeal for such decision, in all cases where such player is put out in accordance with these rules, except as provided in Rule 50, sections 10 and 14.

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RULE 52.—COACHING RULES.

The Coacher shall be restricted to coaching the base-runner only, and shall not be allowed to address any remarks except to the base-runner, and then only in words of necessary direction; and shall not, *by words or signs, incite or try to incite the spectators to demonstrations*; and shall not use language which will in any manner refer to or reflect upon a player of the *opposite* club, the umpire or the spectators, and not more than one coacher, who may be a player participating in the game, or any other player under contract to *and* in the uniform of either club, shall be allowed at any one time, except, that if base-runners are occupying two or more of the bases, then the captain and one player, or two players *under contract to and* in the uniform of either club, may occupy the space between the players' lines and the captains' lines to coach base-runners. To enforce the above the captain of the opposite side may call the attention of the umpire to the offence, and *thereupon the umpire must order the illegal coacher or coaches to the bench; if his order is not obeyed within one minute, the umpire shall assess a fine of \$5.00 each against the offending player or players*, and, upon a repetition of the offence, the offending player or players shall be debarred from further participation in the game, and shall leave the playing field forthwith.

RULE 53.—THE SCORING OF RUNS.

One run shall be scored every time a base-runner, after having legally touched the first three bases, shall touch the home base before three men are put out. (Exception)—If the third man is forced out, or is put out before reaching first base, a run shall not be scored.

THE UMPIRE OR UMPIRES AND THEIR RESPECTIVE DUTIES.

RULE 54.

When two umpires are assigned to duty each shall serve in his regularly appointed position, and discharge the duties of the same as provided for by this code of rules.

RULE 55.

No umpire shall be changed during the progress of a championship game, except by reason of personal illness or injury incapacitating him for the discharge of his duties.

RULE 56.

When two umpires are assigned, one shall be known as the "Umpire" and the other as the "Assistant Umpire." The

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former's regular position in the game shall be behind that of the batsman, and the latter's position in the field near either first, second or third bases; and the umpires shall not exchange duties during the progress of a game, except by consent of the captains of the opposing teams.

RULE 57.

The umpire shall perform all the duties devolving upon a single umpire, except giving decisions on first, second and third bases and deciding points of play in running such bases, which shall devolve upon the assistant umpire, except as regards third base when any other base is occupied by a base-runner, in which event the umpire shall decide all points of play arising at third base. It shall be the duty of the umpires to assist or advise each other in rendering any decision when requested by the other umpire.

RULE 58.

The umpire *is the* representative of the League, and as such shall have power to enforce every section of the code of playing rules of the game, and he shall have power to order any player, or captain, or manager, to do or omit to do, any action that he may deem necessary to give force and effect to the laws of the game.

RULE 59.

There shall be no appeal from any legal decision of either the umpire or the assistant umpire.

RULE 60.

Under no circumstances shall any player be allowed to dispute a decision by either umpire, in which only an error of judgment is involved; and no decision rendered by either umpire shall be reversed, except it be plainly shown by the code of rules to have been illegal; and in such case the captain alone shall be allowed to make the appeal for reversal.

RULE 61.

SECTION 1. In all cases of violation of these rules, by either a player or manager, the penalty *for the first offence shall be a fine by the umpire of \$5.00, and for a second offence*, a prompt removal of the offender from the game or grounds, followed by such period of suspension from actual service in the club as the president of the League may elect.

SEC. 2. The umpire shall, *within twelve hours after fining or removing a player from the game*, forward to the president a report of the action and the causes therefor.

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SEC. 3. *Immediately upon notification by the umpire that a fine has been imposed upon any manager, captain or player, the president shall notify the person so fined and also the club of which he is a member, and, in the event of the failure of the person so fined to pay to the secretary of the League the amount of said fine within five days of notice, he shall be debarred from participating in any championship game or from sitting on a player's bench during the progress of a championship game until such fine is paid.*

SEC. 4. *When the offence of the player debarred from the game is of such a flagrant nature, such as the use of obscene language or an assault upon a player or umpire, the umpire shall, within four hours thereafter, notify the president of the League, giving full particulars.*

SEC. 5. *He shall also notify both captains before the game, and in the presence of each other, that all the playing rules will be impartially enforced, and that their failing to co-operate in such enforcement, will result in their being fined and, perhaps, their removal from the game.*

RULE 62.

Before the commencement of a game the umpire shall see that the rules governing all the materials of the game are strictly observed. He shall ask the captain of the home club whether there are any special ground rules to be enforced, and if there are, he shall see that they are duly enforced, provided they do not conflict with any of these rules.

RULE 63.

The umpire shall not only call "play" at the hour appointed for the beginning of the game, but also announce "game called" at its legal conclusion.

RULE 64.

The umpire shall suspend play for the following causes: First, if rain is falling so heavily as to oblige the spectators on the open field and open stands to seek shelter, in which case he shall note the time of suspension; and should rain fall continuously for thirty minutes thereafter he shall terminate the game.

RULE 65.

The umpire shall suspend play in case of an accident to himself or to the assistant umpire, or to a player which incapacitates him or them from service in the field, or in order to remove from the grounds any player or spectator who has violated the rules.

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RULE 66.

In suspending play from any legal cause, the umpire shall call "time;" when he calls "time" the play shall be suspended until he calls "play" again, and during the interim no player shall be put out, base be run, or run be scored. "Time" shall not be called by the umpire until the ball is held by the pitcher standing in his position.

RULE 67.

The umpire shall call and count as a "ball" any unfair ball delivered by the pitcher to the batsman, but not before such ball has passed the line of the home base. He shall also call and count as a "strike" any fairly delivered ball which passes over any portion of the home base, and within the batsman's legal range, as defined in Rule 43, which is not struck at by the batsman, or a foul tip which is caught by the catcher, standing *within the lines of his position*, or which after being struck at and not hit, strikes the person of the batsman; or when the ball is purposely hit foul by the batsman, or when the ball is bunted foul by the batsman.

RULE 68.

If but one umpire is assigned, his duties and powers shall be that of both the umpire and the assistant umpire, and he shall be permitted to occupy such positions on the field as will best enable him to discharge his duties.

RULE 69.

No person shall be allowed upon any part of the field during the progress of a game in addition to the players in uniform, the manager of each side and the umpire, except such officers of the law as may be present in uniform, and such officials of the home club as may be necessary to preserve the peace.

RULE 70.

No manager, captain or player shall address the spectators during the progress of a game, except in case of necessary explanation.

RULE 71.

Every club shall furnish sufficient police force upon its own grounds to preserve order, and in the event of a crowd entering the field during the progress of a game and interfering with the play in any manner, the visiting club may refuse to play further until the field be cleared. If the ground be not cleared within fifteen minutes thereafter, the visiting club may claim, and shall be entitled to the game, by a score of nine runs to none (no matter what number of innings has been played).

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RULE 72.—GENERAL DEFINITIONS.

“Play” is the order of the umpire to begin the game, or to resume play after its suspension.

RULE 73.

“Time” is the order of the umpire to suspend play. Such suspension must not extend beyond the day of the game.

RULE 74.

“Game” is the announcement by the umpire that the game is terminated.

RULE 75.

An “Inning” is the term at bat of the nine players representing a club in a game, and is completed when three of such players have been put out, as provided in these rules.

RULE 76.

A “Time at Bat” is the term at bat of a batsman. It begins when he takes his position and continues until he is put out or becomes a base-runner; except when, because of being hit by a pitched ball, or in case of an illegal delivery by the pitcher, or in case of a sacrifice hit purposely made to the infield which, not being a base-hit, advances a base-runner without resulting in a put-out, except to the batsman, as in Rule 45.

RULE 77.

“Legal” or “Legally” signifies as required by these rules.

SCORING.

RULE 78.

In order to promote uniformity in scoring championship games the following instructions, suggestions and definitions are made for the benefit of scorers, and they are required to make all scores in accordance therewith.

BATTING.

SECTION I. The first item in the tabulated score, after the player's name and position, shall be the number of times he has been at bat during the game. No time at bat shall be scored if the batsman be hit by a pitched ball while standing in his position, and after trying to avoid being so hit, or in case of the pitcher's illegal delivery of the ball to the bat which gives the batsman his base, or when he intentionally hits the ball to the field, purposely to be put out, or if he is given first base on called balls.

SEC. 2. In the second column should be set down the runs made by each player,

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SEC. 3. In the third column should be placed the first-base hits made by each player. A base-hit should be scored in the following cases:

When the ball from the bat strikes the ground within the foul lines and out of reach of the fielders.

When a hit ball is partially or wholly stopped by a fielder in motion, but such player cannot recover himself in time to handle the ball before the striker reaches first base.

When a ball is hit with such force to an infielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out the batsman. (In case of doubt over this class of hits, score a base-hit and exempt the fielder from the charge of an error.)

When a ball is hit so slowly towards a fielder that he cannot handle it in time to put out the batsman.

That in all cases where a base-runner is retired by being hit by a batted ball, the batsman should be credited with a base-hit.

When a batted ball hits the person or clothing of the umpire, as defined in Rule 48, section 5. In no case shall a base-hit be scored when a base-runner has been forced out by the play.

SEC. 4. In the fourth column shall be placed the sacrifice hits, which shall be credited to the batsman who, when no one is out or when but one man is out, advances a runner a base by a bunt hit, which results in putting out the batsman, or would so result if the ball were handled without error.

FIELDING.

SEC. 5. The number of opponents put out by each player shall be set down in the fifth column. Where a batsman is given out by the umpire for a foul strike, or where the batsman fails to bat in proper order, the put-out shall be scored to the catcher. In all cases of "out" for interference, running out of line, or infield fly dropped, the "out" should be credited to the player who would have made the play, but for the action of the base-runner or batsman.

SEC. 6. The number of times the player assists shall be set down in the sixth column. An assist should be given to each player who handles the ball in assisting a run-out or other play of the kind.

An assist should be given to a player who makes a play in time to put a runner out, even if the player who could complete the play fails through no fault of the player assisting.

And generally an assist should be given to each player who handles or assists in any manner in handling the ball from the time it leaves the bat until it reaches the player who makes the put-out, or in case of a thrown ball, to each player who throws or handles it cleanly and in such a way that a put-out results, or would result if no error were made by the receiver.

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Assists should be credited to every player who handles the ball in the play which results in a base-runner being called out for interference or for running out of line.

ERRORS.

SEC. 7. An error shall be given in the seventh column for each misplay which allows the striker or base-runner to make one or more bases when perfect play would have insured his being put out, except that "wild pitches," "bases on balls," bases on the batsman being struck by a "pitched ball," or in case of illegal pitched balls, balks and passed balls, all of which comprise battery errors, shall not be included in said column. In scoring errors of batted balls see section 3 of this rule.

An error shall not be scored against the catcher for a wild throw to prevent a stolen base, unless the base-runner advances an extra base because of the error.

No error shall be scored against an infielder who attempts to complete a double play, unless the throw is so wild that an additional base is gained.

STOLEN BASES.

A stolen base shall be credited to the base-runner whenever he reaches the base he attempts to steal unaided by a fielding or by a battery error or a hit by the batsman.

RULE 79.

The Summary shall contain :

SECTION I. The score made in each innings of the game.

SEC. 2. The number of bases stolen by each player.

SEC. 3. The number of two-base hits made by each player.

SEC. 4. The number of three-base hits made by each player.

SEC. 5. The number of home runs made by each player.

SEC. 6. The number of double and triple plays made by each side and the names of the players assisting in the same.

SEC. 7. The number of innings each pitcher pitched in.

SEC. 8. The number of base-hits made of each pitcher.

SEC. 9. The number of times the pitcher strikes out the opposing batsmen.

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ADVICE TO UMPIRES.

You are the absolute master of the field from the beginning to the termination of a game. You are by these rules given full authority to order any player, captain or manager to do or omit to do any act which you may deem necessary to maintain your dignity and compel respect from players and spectators. (Rule 58.)

The rules are created to be enforced to the letter. If they are poor rules the fault is not yours. If they are disobeyed you are to blame.

Before "play" is called satisfy yourself that the field is correctly laid off with lines, bases and plates in proper places, and that the materials supplied for the game are as required by the rules. (Rule 62.)

Notify each captain that the rules will be enforced exactly as they are written, and that for each violation the prescribed penalty will follow. Do not in any case temporize with a rule breaker.

Make all decisions as you see them. Never attempt to "even up" after having made a mistake.

Be strict in what may seem to be trivial matters, thereby "nipping in the bud" trouble before it fully develops.

Specially observe Rules 20 and 37, which require players to occupy their respective benches; also section 6 of Rule 25, which specifies that a player ordered from the field shall go within one minute from the time you order his removal from the game.

Do not allow a player (not even a captain) to leave his position (which is the bench or coacher's box, for the captain whose side is at bat, or the regular fielding position of the captain whose side is not at bat) to argue with you. The captain only is allowed to appeal to you (and he only from his proper position) on a legal misinterpretation of the rules. If he claims that you have erred, it is proper that the spectators should know what the claim is. (Rule 60.)

Coachers have heretofore been a disturbing element to the umpire. Rule 52 provides just what his and what your duties are. These rules are mandatory, not discretionary. If you allow them to be violated you become the chief culprit and do not properly perform the duties of your position. Bear in mind that you are not responsible for the creation of the rules or the penalties prescribed by them.

The umpire who enforces the rules, maintains his dignity and compels respect, gives the fullest satisfaction to both teams and to the spectators.

Compel respect from all and your task will be an easy one.

A SIMPLE WAY FOR LAYING OFF A BALL FIELD.

Lay a tape-line from centre of backstop out into the field 217 feet $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches to second base. At 90 feet from backstop place home plate, with the tape-line dividing it diagonally. Between 150 feet 6 inches and 150 feet 10 inches from the backstop place the pitcher's plate, with the tape-line dividing it at the centre; 153 feet $7\frac{3}{4}$ inches from backstop drive a stake At right angles to the tape-line, and 63 feet $7\frac{3}{4}$ inches from the stake and 90 feet from both home plate and second base, place first base on one side and third base on the other. This done remove the stake. Lay lines connecting the bases thus laid, forming the diamond, extending the lines from home base and first base and home base and third base in each direction to the fence, thus forming the foul lines and the catcher's position. Parallel with these lines and 50 feet away lay the player's lines, extending from intersection with lines already laid 75 feet. From this point lay lines at right angles to lines just described, extending to the base lines. At right angles to these and parallel with the base lines, 15 feet distant, lay the coacher's lines, extending, say, 30 feet towards the outfield. Parallel with and 3 feet distant from the base line from home base to first base lay a line beginning 45 feet from home plate and extending just past first base.

On each side of home plate, parallel with line from centre of backstop to second base and 6 inches distant from home plate, lay lines 6 feet long, running three feet each way from a line through the centre of home plate, also lay other lines parallel with and 4 feet distant from the ones just described. Form these into parallelograms 4 feet by 6 feet in dimension, thus forming the batsman's position.

Observe Rules 11, 12 and 13.

ANNUAL MEETING NATIONAL LEAGUE



Annual Meeting of the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs, held at the
Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York City,
Tuesday, December 13, 1898.

Meeting called to order by the President at 1 o'clock P. M. At the suggestion of President Young, Mr. A. H. Soden was unanimously requested to act as chairman of this meeting.

Upon the roll being called and there appearing to be a contesting delegation from St. Louis, Mr. Chris Von der Ahe and W. A. Kennerk claiming to represent the St. Louis Base Ball Association, and also Mr. B. S. Muckenfuss, receiver appointed by the Court of the Sportsman's Park and Club, on motion this body resolved itself into a committee of the whole to consider the whole question and that the contestants retire pending the consideration of the same. After a long discussion and a careful consideration of the case, the following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, Club membership in this League from the city of St. Louis appears to be vested in the name of the St. Louis Base Ball Association, although contracts with players have been made with the Sportsman's Park and Club and duly approved by the Secretary of this League, yet without deciding as to any conflict in regard to contractual rights if such conflict exists; and, *whereas*, there is no personal ownership in membership in this League and only club membership is recognized by our constitution; and, *whereas*, the records of this League show that at its last meeting held at St. Louis, February 28, 1898, C. Von der Ahe and B. S. Muckenfuss appeared as the two representatives of the St. Louis Base Ball Association, and during that meeting C. Von der Ahe stated that he would withdraw as such representative and that said B. S. Muckenfuss would remain as the sole representative of the St. Louis Base Ball Association, and as no proper certificate of the holding of

any meeting of said Association and the appointment, by resolution of such meeting, of any other representative in place of said B. S. Muckenfuss, as required by Section 59 of the League Constitution ; therefore

Resolved, That this League has no alternative but to recognize B. S. Muckenfuss as the duly-accredited representative of the St. Louis Base Ball Association.

On motion the above preamble and resolution were reconsidered and a committee of two consisting of Messrs. F. A. Abell and H. R. Von der Horst was appointed to confer with the St. Louis representatives with a view of a settlement of differences as to representation at this meeting.

On motion a recess was taken until 8.30 P. M. Meeting called to order at 10 30 P. M. The committee appointed to confer with the St. Louis representatives submitted their report. Pending the consideration of a motion to accept the report of the committee, on motion adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1898.

Meeting called to order at 1.30 P. M.

On motion the League resolved to go into executive session.

A motion to accept the report of the committee appointed to confer with the St. Louis representatives was lost. The following preamble and resolution were adopted. (See copy of preamble and resolution above, which were adopted and subsequently reconsidered.)

The following-named gentlemen were present as the representatives of their respective clubs :

Present :

A. H. Soden, representing the Boston Base Ball Association.

B. S. Muckenfuss, representing the St. Louis Base Ball Association.

A. H. Soden, representing the National Exhibition Company of New York City.

W. W. Kerr, representing the Pittsburg Athletic Company.

F. DeH. Robison, representing the Cleveland Base Ball Company.

Barney Dreyfuss and Harry C. Pulliam, representing the Louisville Base Ball Company.

H. R. Von der Horst and Edward Hanlon, representing "The Baltimore Base Ball and Exhibition Company."

John I. Rogers and A. J. Reach, representing the Philadelphia Ball Club, Limited.

C. H. Ebbets and F. A. Abell, representing the Brooklyn Base Ball Club.

J. T. Brush, representing the Cincinnati Base Ball Club.

J. Earl Wagner, representing the National Base Ball Club of Washington, D. C.

James A. Hart, representing the Chicago League Ball Club.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with. The report of the Board of Directors was received and accepted.

On motion adjourned to meet at 11 A. M. on the following day.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1898.

The Secretary presented the report of the Board of Discipline. On motion a recess was taken until 8 o'clock P. M. Meeting called to order at 9.30 P. M.

On motion of Mr. Hart the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Discipline be received and filed of record, and that it be referred to a special committee of three to consider their recommendations and report as to what action should be taken thereon at the Schedule meeting, and that printed copies be sent each club representative at least ten days prior to said meeting.

Messrs. Brush, Hart and Soden were appointed a committee under the above resolution.

The following preamble and resolution offered by Colonel Rogers was adopted:

Whereas, No information has been communicated to any official of this organization, or to any club representative, as to the use by a League player during the season of 1898 of language prohibited by what is known as the "Brush Resolutions"; therefore

Resolved, That we tender our congratulations to the players of the National League for their co-operation in bringing about so desirable a result.

The following-named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year: A. H. Soden, A. J. Reach, J. E. Wagner, J. A. Hart, Jno. T. Brush and B. S. Muckenfuss. National Board of Arbitration—Jno. T. Brush, F. DeH. Robison, Jas. A. Hart, A. H. Soden, Jno. I. Rogers and N. E. Young.

On motion adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1898.

Meeting called to order at 1.45 P. M.

On motion a committee of three be appointed to consider amendments to the League Constitution with instructions to report at the Spring meeting. On motion Messrs. Rogers and Hart were appointed members of said committee with authority to select the third member.

On motion the Playing Rules Committee, consisting of Messrs. Hart, Reach and Hanlon, were instructed to report at the Spring meeting. The Secretary presented a communication from the agent of the Plant System, which was read and placed on file, also a communication from the publisher of the Sporting News (St. Louis, Mo.), which was ordered placed on file and courteously acknowledged by the Secretary.

Pending a request from the Philadelphia Club in relation to division of gate receipts, on motion a recess was taken until 5.30 P. M.

Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock P. M., and on motion a recess was taken until 11 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1898.

Meeting called to order at 1.40 P. M. and resumed consideration of the question of division of gate receipts in Philadelphia, and, on motion, its further consideration was postponed until the Spring meeting. Mr. Brush moved that the President be instructed to employ a stenographer to be present at all future

meetings and report all arguments and keep a correct record of all transactions. Carried.

On motion the President was instructed to communicate with Mr. Whitehead and request him to prepare schedules for the season of 1899, and submit copies to each League club at least two weeks before the Spring meeting, and, in case of approval, that he will be properly compensated. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Brush, the schedule shall consist of 154 games.

On motion the Schedule Committee was instructed to prepare two schedules, one consisting of three and the other of four trips between the East and West.

On motion that when this meeting adjourns, it adjourn to meet in New York City on the last Tuesday in February. Carried. Mr. Hart moved that no exhibition games shall be played by any League club before, during, or after the championship season. The Chair ruled the motion out of order. Mr. Hart moved that no exhibition games be played by any League clubs during the championship season. Carried.

The following resolution offered by Mr. Brush was adopted :

Resolved, That the President of the League be authorized to issue to the base ball editors of the daily papers in the twelve League cities a visiting League pass, good upon all League ball parks other than the park in the city in which the paper is located, to be signed by the President of the League and countersigned by the President of the visiting club.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

(Signed) A. H. SODEN, *Chairman*.

N. E. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

RECONVENED ANNUAL MEETING



Reconvened Annual Meeting of the National League and
American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs,
Held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York
City, Tuesday, February 28, 1899.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 7 P. M.

No quorum being present, on motion adjourned to meet at
11 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 1899.

The following named gentlemen were present as the representatives of their respective clubs:

A. H. Soden and W. H. Conant, representing the Boston Base Ball Association.

B. S. Muckenfuss, representing the St. Louis Base Ball Association.

A. H. Soden, representing the National Exhibition Company of New York City.

W. W. Kerr, representing the Pittsburg Athletic Company.

F. DeH. Robison, representing the Cleveland Base Ball Company.

Barney Dreyfuss and Harry C. Pulliam, representing the Louisville Base Ball Company.

H. R. Von der Horst and Edward Hanlon, representing the Baltimore Base Ball and Exhibition Company.

John I. Rogers and A. J. Reach, representing the Philadelphia Ball Club, Limited.

C. H. Ebbetts and F. A. Abell, representing the Brooklyn Base Ball Club.

J. T. Brush, representing the Cincinnati Base Ball Club.

J. Earl Wagner, representing the National Base Ball Club, of Washington, D. C.

James A. Hart, representing the Chicago League Ball Club.

On motion, the minutes of the last meeting were read.

Report of a special meeting of the Board of Directors held

Tuesday evening, February 28, was read by the Secretary. On motion of Mr. Robison the report of the Board of Directors was received and discussed. On motion the report of the Directors was received and placed on file.

The Secretary presented a three-trip schedule prepared by Mr. Whitehead, and also both a three and four-trip schedule prepared by himself. On motion they were received and placed on file.

The committee appointed under the following resolution, adopted December 15, 1898, as follows :

Resolved, That the report of the Board of Discipline be received and filed of record, and that it be referred to a special committee of three to consider their recommendations and report as to what action should be taken thereon at the schedule meeting, and that printed copies be sent each club representative at least ten days prior to said meeting, Submitted their report, and, on motion, its further consideration was postponed until after reports from the Constitution and Playing Rules Committees had been received.

The Chairman of the Committee on Constitution submitted their report, pending the consideration of which, on motion, adjourned to meet at 11 A. M. on the following day.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1899.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 3.55 P. M.

The Committee on Constitution submitted their report, which was unanimously adopted. (See Constitution.)

The report of the Committee on Playing Rules submitted their report, which, as amended, was adopted as follows. (See Playing Rules.)

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That Rule 69 of the Playing Rules be stricken out, as that is already provided for in the Constitution.

Resolved, That the purchaser at a judicial sale of the assets of a club, member of this League, will not be entitled to club membership without proper admission thereto, in accordance with the League Constitution.

Resolved, That Article 13 of the National Agreement be changed as follows: That the words "terms of such purchase" in the seventh line be stricken out and the words "drafting price of the League with which he played last prior to becoming a National League player" added.

The report of the Board of Discipline as amended was unanimously adopted as follows:

A measure entitled:

A measure for the enforcement of the rules against ungentlemanly and unsportsmanlike conduct and for the suppression of vulgar language upon the ball field by players engaged in playing a game of ball during the championship season while under contract to a club, member of the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs.

Be it resolved by the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs as follows, viz:

First—It shall be the duty of each club president or chief officer at the beginning of the contract season to furnish to the manager or captain of his team and to each player and to all others who may thereafter join the club during the playing season a printed or typewritten copy of this enactment, and the captain or manager of each club shall deliver to the president of said club, who shall within five days thereafter forward the same to the President of the League, a written statement that this legislation with all of its provisions has been brought to each and every player's attention.

Second—To perpetuate base ball as the national game of the United States, preserve its respectability, surround it with such additional safeguards as to warrant absolute public confidence in its methods and purposes, to reform and promote the mutual interests of professional base ball clubs and professional base ball players, it shall be competent for any person or persons, whether player, manager, umpire, club official of any club, member of this League, or spectator, to submit information and testimony under oath of which they have personal knowledge concerning a violation of any of the rules defined in this measure by a player or umpire during the playing of a game of ball, which may mar or tend to mar its progress or in any manner tend to bring the game into disrepute. The information and corroborative evidence shall be submitted to the President of the League, who shall have the right to suspend the offender pending investigation by the tribunal hereinafter created, or not, as he may elect, being governed in judgment by the circumstances and gravity of the offence and the character of the evidence.

(a) Every umpire or assistant umpire who has personal knowledge of a violation of any of the rules specified in this measure must within forty-eight hours after such violation report the same in writing under oath to the President of the League, stating name of the offender and giving full and particular details of the offence committed, names of eye-witnesses

whenever possible; and if such umpire or assistant umpire fails to make such report he or they shall be deemed equally guilty with the offender, and upon complaint by the president of a club the President of the League shall refer the complaint to the League clubs for a mail vote, and if three-fourths are in favor of reference to the Board of Discipline it shall be so referred for trial of such complaint.

Third—All charges of offence under this measure, with the supporting evidence, shall be submitted to the President of the League, under oath, within forty-eight hours of its alleged commission, and the President shall immediately furnish a copy of the same to the accused for his defense, with written notice of the suspension, if any.

Fourth—Any person who may be charged with having committed an offence within the intent and meaning of this measure, shall be furnished with a copy of the charges which, to receive consideration, must be substantiated by corroborative evidence, and after the receipt thereof by the accused, five days shall be allowed him for transmitting to the President of the League, under oath, his defense, and the case when thus prepared shall be submitted by the President to the League clubs, as prescribed in Article 2, and thereafter, if approved by a three-fourths vote, to a tribunal of three judges, selected by this League, to be called the "Board of Discipline," who shall have absolute authority to acquit or convict upon the evidence submitted, according to the rules adopted for its government, and from which there shall be no appeal, except to the Board of Directors of the League, as hereinafter provided.

Fifth—When a case is thus submitted to said Board, the president of the tribunal shall carefully consider it from the evidence submitted, taking into account the nature and gravity of the offence, its importance as affecting the welfare of the national game, the provocation for its commission and such other circumstances as may be submitted that are entitled to be considered, and he shall report in writing his opinion and finding in the premises, and if the offence be proven, he shall affix the penalty that in his judgment should be imposed and forward the same, together with his opinion and conclusions and all the papers, to his associate nearest in territory, who shall attach thereto his opinion and conclusions and judgment and forward the same to the remaining member of the tribunal, who shall forward his opinion, conclusions and findings and all the papers in the case to the president of the tribunal, and he in turn shall return the papers and opinions, conclusions and findings to the President of the League, who shall carry into effect the judgment of said Board or a majority thereof by imposing the fine or enforcing the suspension or expulsion, suspending the player or umpire as determined by the tribunal or a majority, or acquit him, as the case may be, as may be certified by the Board of Discipline or a majority thereof, as aforesaid.

Sixth—When the members of the tribunal or a majority thereof do not agree upon a judgment, the President of the League shall select some one of the opinions as the one to be followed (providing it be not the extreme

penalty), and that shall be considered the judgment and be enforced according to the provisions of Section 5.

Seventh—The penalty for violation of offences prohibited, within the meaning and intent of this measure, is entirely within the discretion of the Board of Discipline, and may be suspension for days, for months, for the unexpired season, for a year or for life, or it may impose a fine, according to the conditions, circumstances and nature of the offence, it being the judgment of the League that an unwarranted and brutal use of vulgarity to a spectator or within the presence of spectators and within the hearing of ladies, should debar the offender forever from service with his club or any other club, member of this League or subject to its jurisdiction.

Eighth—PROHIBITED LANGUAGE AND ACTIONS.

(a) Any player or umpire who uses contemptuous or disrespectful language or actions against spectator, umpire or club official during the game commits an offence.

(b) Any player or umpire who assaults or attempts to assault another player, umpire or spectator during a game commits an offence.

(c) Any player or umpire who uses profane or obscene language against any one during a game of ball commits an offence.

Ninth—The extreme penalty proposed in this measure, viz., "life expulsion," shall require the unanimous approval of the three members of the tribunal, and provided, also, before imposing such a penalty the accused shall be notified, that he can defend in person, and by counsel, if he elects, in which event the president of the tribunal shall call a meeting of said Board at some city to be selected by him, most convenient to the members and the accused, the traveling expenses and hotel bills of the Board to be paid by the League.

Tenth—When two members concur in the penalty to be imposed that shall be considered as the judgment of the tribunal, except as provided in Rules 6 and 9.

Eleventh—That justice may be done and no wrong committed, it shall be competent for either parties to a case submitted to the tribunal to show under oath the character and standing of those who make the charges and give evidence, and before the "life expulsion" can be imposed, the accused may, if he elect, have the opportunity of cross-examining the witnesses against him by depositions.

Twelfth—There shall be no appeal from a decision by the tribunal or a majority for a hearing or a reopening of a case except by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors, based upon new evidence.

Thirteenth—The tribunal shall be selected by the National League with due regard for fitness, integrity, knowledge of and interest in the national game of base ball. One of its members shall be designated president of the tribunal, and no one shall be a member who is financially interested in a club, member of this League. Whenever a case is submitted under the provisions of this enactment, each member of the tribunal shall carefully examine all evidence submitted and render his finding according to the

same, and no hearing shall be secret, unless so requested by both parties to the controversy.

Fourteenth—The first tribunal under this provision shall be composed of L. C. Kronthoff, who shall be elected to serve three years or until his successor is elected; Louis Kramer, who shall serve two years or until his successor is elected, and Frederick K. Sterns, who shall serve one year or until his successor is elected, and beginning with 1899 and each year thereafter, there shall be one member elected to serve three years.

Fifteenth—If a player under suspension pending investigation should be acquitted by the tribunal, his salary shall be paid by the President of the League for the time he was under suspension.

Sixteenth—To compensate in part for the loss to a club of a player who has been suspended under these provisions for a period longer than one year, the club may select one member of the League to represent it and the President of the League shall select some member of the League to represent the League, and the two, if unable to agree, shall select the third member of the League, and they or a majority of them shall place a fair estimate of value upon the release of the player so disciplined, and the League shall pay to the club one-half of such award, and in case said persons or a majority do not arrive at an award, said Board of Discipline or a majority thereof shall make the award.

Seventeenth—All elections to fill vacancies in the tribunal shall be by ballot upon nominations, and it shall require a majority vote to elect.

Eighteenth—All vacancies in the tribunal caused by death or resignation shall be temporarily filled by the President of the League until the next meeting at which an annual election occurs, when it shall be filled by ballot for the unexpired term.

Nineteenth—The compensation to be allowed the members of the tribunal shall be fixed by the President of the League, according to the circumstances of each case, and be paid by the League, together with traveling expenses and hotel bills, if they meet together as provided in Section 9.

Twentieth—The Board of Discipline has authority to consider and pass upon any complaint submitted to it by the President of the League for offences which are prohibited by this measure and enforce the penalties hereinbefore stated.

Twenty-first—The annual meeting for the election of members to fill vacancies upon the tribunal shall be the annual schedule meeting of the League.

Twenty-second—This measure may be altered or amended at any annual or schedule meeting of the League by a majority vote.

Twenty-third—The President of the League is authorized to publish this measure in the official records of the League book, and to provide a sufficient number of copies of the same to supply all requirements of a thorough distribution among players and employes of the clubs, umpires and club officials of the National League.

Twenty-fourth—The members of said Board shall meet at some convenient point within thirty days from its creation and establish Rules and Regulations for its government, not inconsistent with this "Measure," and it shall have the right to employ a stenographer at the expense of the League, in the cases mentioned in Section 9, at any joint meeting of the members of said Board.

(Signed) JNO. T. BRUSH, }
JAS. A. HART, } Committee.
A. H. SODEN, }

Mr. Fred K. Stearns was unanimously elected a member of the Board of Discipline for three years.

It was unanimously voted that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet subject to the call of President.

A unanimous vote of thanks was tendered to the Committees on Constitution, Playing Rules and Board of Discipline.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

N. E. YOUNG, *Secretary*. A. H. SODEN, *Chairman*.

RECONVENED ANNUAL MEETING



Reconvened Annual Meeting of the National League and
American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs,
held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York
City, Friday, March 24, 1899.

Meeting called to order by the Chairman at 5 P. M.

The following-named gentlemen were present as the representatives of their respective clubs:

Present:

A. H. Soden and W. H. Conant, representing the Boston Base Ball Association.

A. H. Soden, representing the National Exhibition Company of New York City.

A. H. Soden, representing the Pittsburg Athletic Company.

F. DeH. Robison, representing the Cleveland Base Ball Company.

A. H. Soden, representing the Louisville Base Ball Company.

H. R. Von der Horst, representing "The Baltimore Base Ball and Exhibition Company."

John I. Rogers, representing the Philadelphia Ball Club, Limited.

C. H. Ebbets and F. A. Abell, representing the Brooklyn Base Ball Club.

J. T. Brush, representing the Cincinnati Base Ball Club.

J. Earl Wagner, representing the National Base Ball Club, of Washington, D. C.

James A. Hart, representing the Chicago League Ball Club.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

Mr. Hart moved that it is the sense of this meeting that the St. Louis Base Ball Association and Sportsman's Park and Club, located in St. Louis, be expelled for cause. Upon a ballot being taken all the club members voted for expulsion, except the representative of the Philadelphia Club, Limited.

On motion a recess was taken until 8 o'clock P. M.

Meeting called to order at 9 o'clock P. M.

After a lengthy discussion, upon a ballot being taken, the St. Louis Base Ball Association and Sportsman's Park and Club, located in St. Louis, was unanimously expelled from membership in the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs.

On motion the recommendations of the Board of Directors were approved, and that the American Base Ball and Athletic Exhibition Company of St. Louis, Mo., be elected to fill the vacancy.

Upon a ballot being taken they were unanimously elected.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That under section 36 of the amended League Constitution for 1899, the players under contract or reservation to the St. Louis Base Ball Association or the Sportsman's Park and Club be transferred to the American Base Ball and Athletic Exhibition Company of St. Louis, Mo.

By direction of the League the contracts of players who have signed contracts with the Sportman's Park and Club or the St. Louis Base Ball Association, have been assigned to the Cleveland Base Ball Company, and the players held under reservation by the above organizations have been transferred to the reserve list of the Cleveland Base Ball Company for 1899.

On motion adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock A. M. on the following day.

SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1899.

Meeting called to order at 11.50 A. M.

The Committee on Schedule submitted his report.

The schedule, as amended, was adopted by an affirmative vote of eleven clubs.

On motion the championship season was extended from April 14 to October 15, both inclusive.

It was unanimously voted that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet subject to the call of the President.

No further business appearing, on motion adjourned.

A. H. SODEN, *Chairman*.

N. E. YOUNG, *Secretary*.

OFFICERS AND PLAYERS

The following is an official list of the officers of the National League and American Association of Professional Base Ball Clubs, and officers and players of clubs, members thereof, for the season of 1899, so far as completed to April 1, 1899.

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Oscar Streit,	R. L. Lowe,	J. A. Smith,
E. M. Lewis,	Herman Long,	W. E. Bransfield,
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—— McGinnity,	T. O'Brien,	—— Holmes,
—— McFarlan,	—— Harris,	

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C. C. Griffith,	Jas. Connor,	Samuel Mertes,
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H. C. Blake,	J. E. Heidrick,	Burt Jones,
Lewis Criger,	E. J. McKean,	O. F. Schrecongost,
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Wm. Lander,	Wm. Bernhard,	Pierce Chiles,
David Fultz,	Wm. H. Piatt,	W. Duggleby,
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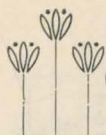
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BATTING RECORD

Of Players Who Have Taken Part in Fifteen or More Games.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games.	At Bat.	Runs.	1st Bases.	Per cent.	T. B.	S. H.	S. B.
1	Keeler.....	Baltimore.....	128	564	126	214	.379	230	9	26
2	Freeman.....	Washington.....	29	106	19	39	.368	57	1	4
3	Hamilton.....	Boston.....	109	417	111	153	.367	183	2	59
4	Burkett.....	Cleveland.....	148	624	115	215	.345	248	4	20
5	Smith.....	Cincinnati.....	122	483	76	166	.344	208	6	19
6	Collins.....	Boston.....	152	600	106	202	.337	293	13	10
7	Tenney.....	Boston.....	117	480	107	163	.335	201	15	23
	{ McGraw.....	Baltimore.....	141	521	142	174	.334	201	6	42
8	{ Delehanty.....	Philadelphia.....	142	547	114	183	.334	251	4	62
	{ Mercer.....	Washington.....	73	242	88	81	.334	100	9	14
9	Kitson.....	Baltimore.....	23	84	13	28	.333	32	0	4
10	Lange.....	Chicago.....	111	439	79	147	.332	199	7	25
	{ Nance.....	Louisville.....	22	76	13	25	.329	32	2	2
11	{ Daly.....	Brooklyn.....	23	73	11	24	.329	29	1	6
	{ Kelley.....	Baltimore.....	124	467	71	153	.328	210	7	22
12	{ Eagan.....	Pittsburg.....	16	61	14	20	.328	28	1	1
	{ Lajoie.....	Philadelphia.....	147	610	113	200	.328	275	5	33
	{ Green.....	Chicago.....	47	186	26	61	.328	84	8	10
	{ Everett.....	Chicago.....	149	595	103	194	.325	218	9	28
13	{ DeMont'ville.....	Baltimore.....	151	567	95	185	.325	206	12	56
	{ Jennings.....	Baltimore.....	143	533	136	173	.325	222	7	31
14	Ryan.....	Chicago.....	143	569	121	185	.322	254	7	29
	{ Hartzell.....	Louisville.....	21	72	11	23	.319	24	2	3
	{ Duffy.....	Boston.....	151	561	97	179	.319	221	17	32
15	{ Flick.....	Philadelphia.....	133	448	84	142	.319	207	11	29
	{ Cross.....	St. Louis.....	151	601	71	192	.319	245	16	14
	{ Clark.....	Louisville.....	147	598	115	190	.318	246	5	66
16	{ Hoy.....	Louisville.....	148	579	102	184	.318	250	19	37
	{ Cooley.....	Philadelphia.....	148	625	122	198	.317	260	11	23
17	Farrell.....	Washington.....	88	332	47	105	.316	129	3	9
18	Van Halgren.....	New York.....	155	651	129	205	.315	277	5	31
20	{ Dexter.....	Louisville.....	112	440	80	137	.311	161	13	40
	{ Stahl.....	Boston.....	125	469	69	146	.311	193	12	5
21	Clark.....	Pittsburg.....	57	206	29	64	.310	91	3	0
22	Davis.....	New York.....	121	484	80	148	.306	186	10	22
23	Wagner.....	Louisville.....	148	591	80	180	.305	249	10	25
	{ Jones.....	Brooklyn.....	147	599	88	182	.304	213	17	32
21	{ Mertes.....	Chicago.....	70	263	45	80	.304	103	7	27
25	Vaughn.....	Cincinnati.....	73	274	35	83	.303	105	6	3
	{ Donovan.....	Pittsburg.....	147	610	112	181	.302	218	10	43
	{ Smith.....	Washington.....	65	232	34	70	.302	94	5	10
26	{ Reitz.....	Washington.....	132	487	60	147	.302	176	13	12
	{ Selbach.....	Washington.....	131	509	88	154	.302	212	7	18
27	McBride.....	Cincinnati.....	120	486	94	146	.300	153	8	19
28	Miller.....	Cincinnati.....	152	589	96	176	.299	238	20	32

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Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games.	At Bat.	Runs.	1st Bases.	Per cent.	T. B.	S. H.	B.
28	Beckley.....	Cincinnati.....	116	458	86	137	.299	193	9	7
29	{ Powers.....	Louisville.....	27	94	13	28	.208	41	3	0
	{ McGann.....	Baltimore.....	145	534	97	159	.298	210	8	34
30	Griffin.....	Brooklyn.....	134	544	92	161	.296	201	5	14
31	{ Stafford.....	Louisville and Boston.....	79	295	47	87	.295	99	10	10
	{ Anderson.....	Washington and Baltimore.....	133	518	81	153	.295	256	6	15
32	Tannehill.....	Pittsburg.....	45	146	23	43	.294	61	6	4
33	{ Grady.....	New York.....	83	283	62	83	.293	121	4	20
	{ Heidrick.....	Cleveland.....	19	75	10	22	.293	30	1	3
34	Doyle.....	Washington and New York.....	121	472	68	138	.292	174	4	20
35	{ Sheckard.....	Brooklyn.....	105	409	51	119	.290	164	6	8
	{ Dahlen.....	Chicago.....	141	524	96	152	.290	216	17	25
	{ Childs.....	Cleveland.....	100	422	91	122	.289	143	14	5
36	{ McCarthy.....	Pittsburg.....	137	537	75	155	.289	207	21	9
	{ Bergen.....	Boston.....	120	446	65	129	.289	163	9	6
	{ Steinfeldt.....	Cincinnati.....	83	304	46	88	.289	119	19	9
37	{ Bowerman.....	Pittsburg.....	67	253	21	73	.288	85	3	6
	{ Chance.....	Chicago.....	42	146	32	42	.288	55	2	5
38	{ Tiernan.....	New York.....	103	412	89	118	.286	168	10	19
	{ McFarland.....	Cincinnati.....	15	56	9	16	.286	23	1	4
39	McKean.....	Cleveland.....	151	604	88	172	.285	227	13	10
40	Thornton.....	Chicago.....	56	208	84	59	.283	69	8	7
	{ Foster.....	New York.....	31	110	11	31	.281	37	1	0
41	{ Decker.....	Louisville and St. Louis.....	106	412	49	116	.281	141	8	10
	{ Holmes.....	St. Louis and Baltimore.....	135	541	64	151	.281	182	9	27
	{ Peitz.....	Cincinnati.....	100	324	48	91	.281	122	6	12
42	Wood.....	Cincinnati.....	20	100	12	28	.280	33	2	1
	{ Stenzel.....	Baltimore and St. Louis.....	143	542	97	151	.279	202	11	25
43	{ Lewis.....	Boston.....	34	129	17	36	.279	42	5	0
	{ Orth.....	Philadelphia.....	32	118	17	32	.279	49	1	1
	{ Gettman.....	Washington.....	140	560	77	156	.279	196	10	34
44	Brodie.....	Pittsburg and Baltimore.....	65	255	28	71	.278	85	7	4
45	Robinson.....	Baltimore.....	77	286	29	79	.276	96	7	2
46	{ Long.....	Boston.....	144	586	98	161	.275	218	17	22
	{ Grim.....	Brooklyn.....	50	178	18	49	.275	54	3	3
47	McFarland.....	Philadelphia.....	118	431	64	118	.274	155	9	3
	{ Craig.....	Cleveland.....	81	289	43	79	.273	102	6	3
48	{ McGuire.....	Washington.....	128	483	60	132	.273	159	10	11
	{ Seymour.....	New York.....	78	291	40	79	.273	99	2	6
49	{ Lander.....	Philadelphia.....	97	356	42	97	.272	132	13	7
	{ Lowe.....	Boston.....	149	566	69	154	.272	194	20	11
50	Davis.....	Louisville and Pittsburg.....	94	358	49	97	.271	134	9	12
51	Casey.....	Washington.....	38	111	13	30	.270	32	1	9
52	{ Wallace.....	Cleveland.....	153	591	81	159	.269	211	11	9
	{ Piatt.....	Philadelphia.....	38	119	19	32	.269	36	1	0
53	Clements.....	St. Louis.....	85	325	39	87	.268	125	8	1
54	Hartman.....	New York.....	122	471	58	126	.267	169	3	10
55	Douglas.....	Philadelphia.....	146	580	106	154	.266	193	25	31
56	McCreery.....	New York and Philadelphia.....	85	315	49	83	.264	122	7	7
57	Yeager.....	Boston.....	57	213	36	56	.263	80	3	3
	{ Clingman.....	Louisville.....	154	541	61	142	.262	166	15	16
58	{ O'Connor.....	Cleveland.....	129	476	50	125	.262	153	11	9
	{ Abbaticchio.....	Philadelphia.....	20	80	10	21	.262	27	2	4

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Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games.	At Bat.	Runs.	1st Bases.	Per cent.	T. B.	S. H.	S. B.
59	Meyers.....	Washington.....	31	107	14	28	.261	38	1	1
60	A. Smith.....	Brooklyn.....	48	196	25	51	.260	67	7	6
	Killen.....	Washington and Pittsburg.	40	119	12	31	.260	34	4	2
	Tucker.....	St. Louis and Brooklyn.	145	536	53	139	.259	169	7	1
	Sugden.....	St. Louis.....	80	283	29	73	.259	83	5	6
31	Cross.....	Philadelphia.....	149	522	69	135	.259	173	11	9
	Hickman.....	Boston.....	17	58	4	15	.259	17	1	0
	Kennedy.....	Brooklyn.....	38	135	15	35	.259	47	1	1
	Ritchie.....	Louisville.....	152	538	66	145	.259	178	31	17
62	Warner.....	New York.....	108	375	39	97	.259	120	4	8
	Callahan.....	Chicago.....	42	171	28	44	.258	61	4	2
63	Padden.....	Pittsburg.....	128	465	60	119	.256	147	5	12
64	McAllister.....	Cleveland.....	16	55	9	14	.255	18	1	0
65	Tebeau.....	Cleveland.....	130	477	53	121	.254	147	9	5
	O'Brien.....	Baltimore and Pittsburg.	123	473	61	120	.254	149	24	13
66	Joyce.....	New York.....	143	513	90	130	.253	191	5	31
	Young.....	Cleveland.....	44	154	20	39	.253	52	5	2
	Nichols.....	Boston.....	46	155	26	39	.252	57	3	0
	Stivett.....	Boston.....	27	111	16	28	.252	37	4	0
67	Hall.....	St. Louis.....	39	143	13	36	.252	39	5	1
	Quinn.....	St. Louis and Baltimore.	110	408	40	103	.252	127	10	14
68	Gatans.....	Washington.....	16	56	5	14	.250	16	0	0
	Kittridge.....	Louisville.....	88	288	27	72	.250	96	10	6
	Zimmer.....	Cleveland.....	18	60	5	15	.250	17	4	2
	Dunn.....	Brooklyn.....	45	164	22	41	.250	43	1	3
69	Harley.....	St. Louis.....	142	548	75	136	.248	150	6	14
	Gettig.....	New York.....	55	193	30	48	.248	56	1	5
	McCormick.....	Chicago.....	136	528	76	131	.248	175	12	6
	Wilmot.....	New York.....	34	138	18	34	.246	48	2	5
70	McPhee.....	Cincinnati.....	131	488	71	120	.246	166	11	23
	Blake.....	Cleveland.....	137	468	65	115	.245	149	23	10
71	Clarke.....	Baltimore.....	77	282	28	69	.245	79	4	2
	Hallman.....	Brooklyn.....	133	510	56	125	.245	156	11	12
	Wrigley.....	Washington.....	111	400	50	98	.245	129	7	11
	Corcoran.....	Cincinnati.....	153	620	80	151	.244	115	17	22
72	LaChance.....	Brooklyn.....	135	527	61	128	.243	182	11	23
	Dowd.....	St. Louis.....	139	583	70	142	.243	173	14	22
73	Taylor.....	St. Louis.....	49	157	17	38	.242	50	5	0
74	Irwin.....	Cincinnati.....	135	504	77	121	.240	154	14	25
	Holliday.....	Cincinnati.....	26	100	24	24	.240	26	5	6
75	Kilroy.....	Chicago.....	25	92	20	22	.239	25	2	2
76	Hastings.....	Pittsburg.....	18	42	5	10	.238	12	1	0
	Crooks.....	St. Louis.....	71	223	33	53	.238	63	11	4
77	Donohue.....	Chicago.....	117	390	52	91	.236	107	12	15
	Hughes.....	Baltimore.....	49	161	21	38	.236	58	3	0
78	McAleer.....	Cleveland.....	104	366	47	86	.235	92	7	6
	Isbell.....	Chicago.....	41	157	16	37	.235	41	6	8
79	Nops.....	Baltimore.....	29	90	15	21	.233	26	1	0
	Gray.....	Pittsburg.....	137	529	56	123	.232	152	17	7
80	Wagner.....	Washington and Brooklyn.	68	258	22	60	.232	75	4	5
	Nash.....	Philadelphia.....	20	69	9	16	.232	20	0	1
81	Cunningham.....	Louisville.....	43	140	21	32	.229	41	2	0
82	Shindle.....	Brooklyn.....	120	461	50	105	.228	125	12	7

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Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games, At Bat.	Runs.	1st Bases.	Per cent.	T. B.	S. H.	S.
83	Wheeler.....	Philadelphia.....	15 44	6	10	.228	11 3	1	
84	{ Schriver.....	Pittsburg.....	93 312	25	71	.227	92 10	0	
	{ Magoon.....	Brooklyn.....	93 344	35	78	.227	88 1	7	
	{ Hart.....	Pittsburg.....	15 49	4	11	.225	14 0	1	
85	{ Sullivan.....	St. Louis.....	40 142	10	32	.225	34 1	1	
	{ Connor.....	Chicago.....	136 501	52	113	.225	142 13	11	
86	Gleason.....	New York.....	149 571	77	127	.222	147 4	24	
87	Breitenstein.....	Cincinnati.....	39 119	16	26	.219	30 5	1	
88	{ Damman.....	Cincinnati.....	28 78	15	17	.218	23 1	1	
	{ Meekin.....	New York.....	35 129	16	28	.218	35 0	0	
	{ Rusie.....	New York.....	36 136	23	29	.213	39 0	2	
89	{ Klobedanz.....	Boston.....	38 127	12	27	.213	40 6	0	
	{ Ely.....	Pittsburg.....	148 519	50	109	.210	137 13	5	
90	{ Turner.....	St. Louis.....	34 138	20	29	.210	36 5	1	
91	Franks.....	Cleveland.....	17 53	3	11	.208	14 0	1	
92	Smith.....	Louisville.....	31 16	13	24	.207	28 5	5	
93	{ Dowling.....	Louisville.....	35 109	9	22	.202	34 2	1	
	{ Maul.....	Baltimore.....	29 94	21	19	.202	26 1	1	
94	Carsey.....	St. Louis.....	33 105	7	21	.200	23 4	2	
95	{ Miller.....	Brooklyn.....	21 61	5	12	.197	13 1	1	
	{ Carr.....	Washington.....	20 71	6	14	.197	16 1	1	
96	Fultz.....	Philadelphia.....	16 51	7	10	.196	16 1	2	
97	Murphy.....	Philadelphia and Pittsburg.	39 105	6	20	.190	23 4	0	
98	Ryan.....	Brooklyn.....	82 301	39	57	.189	77 3	3	
99	Fraser.....	Cleveland and Louisville.	30 92	9	17	.185	23 3	2	
100	Hawley.....	Cincinnati.....	42 131	16	24	.183	33 5	0	
101	Wilson.....	Louisville.....	39 110	5	20	.182	30 2	3	
102	Leahy.....	Washington.....	15 55	10	10	.182	12 0	5	
103	Weyhing.....	Washington.....	43 138	12	25	.181	29 7	2	
104	{ Donovan.....	Washington.....	39 101	11	18	.178	30 1	2	
	{ Yeager.....	Brooklyn.....	36 129	12	23	.178	30 3	1	
105	Ball.....	Baltimore.....	25 80	7	14	.175	15 2	3	
106	McJames.....	Baltimore.....	42 151	12	26	.172	32 1	0	
107	{ Snyder.....	Louisville.....	15 53	5	9	.169	10 3	1	
	{ Griffith.....	Chicago.....	37 124	15	21	.169	29 2	1	
108	Doheny.....	New York.....	28 84	11	14	.167	22 0	0	
109	Gardner.....	Pittsburg.....	32 91	8	15	.165	15 2	1	
110	Brown.....	Washington.....	15 55	8	9	.164	11 0	3	
111	Woods.....	Chicago.....	41 148	15	24	.162	25 3	4	
112	{ Sudhoff.....	St. Louis.....	38 118	4	19	.161	23 5	0	
	{ Wilson.....	Cleveland.....	34 118	10	19	.161	22 7	0	
113	Smith.....	St. Louis.....	51 160	16	25	.156	31 2	5	
114	Rhines.....	Pittsburg.....	31 99	7	15	.151	18 1	1	
115	Willis.....	Boston.....	36 116	9	17	.147	17 2	2	
116	Donohue.....	Philadelphia.....	34 110	8	16	.146	19 7	1	
117	Magee.....	Louisville.....	33 117	10	16	.144	17 1	2	
118	Dwyer.....	Cincinnati.....	29 85	11	12	.141	15 1	1	
119	{ Hill.....	Cincinnati.....	28 99	11	13	.131	14 0	1	
	{ Powell.....	Cleveland.....	40 137	15	18	.131	23 2	0	
120	Cuppy.....	Cleveland.....	16 42	2	6	.130	6 2	1	
121	Fifield.....	Philadelphia.....	20 64	5	8	.125	11 3	1	
122	Dineen.....	Washington.....	27 76	10	9	.118	11 1	1	
123	Hughey.....	St. Louis.....	34 99	6	11	.111	16 3	1	

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FIELDING RECORD, 1898.

FIRST BASEMEN.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games.	Put Outs.	Assists.	Errors.	Total Chances.	Per cent.
1	LaChance.....	Brooklyn.....	75	814	24	9	847	.989
	{ Clark.....	Pittsburg.....	57	599	28	8	635	.987
2	{ O'Connor.....	Cleveland.....	69	590	34	8	632	.987
	{ Beckley.....	Cincinnati.....	116	1172	54	18	1244	.985
3	{ Tebeau.....	Cleveland.....	88	948	37	15	1000	.985
4	McGann.....	Baltimore.....	145	1406	65	24	1495	.984
5	Decker.....	Louisville and St. Louis..	106	1050	31	19	1100	.983
	{ Tenney.....	Boston.....	117	1081	65	21	1167	.982
6	{ Tucker.....	Brooklyn and St. Louis..	145	1566	81	29	1676	.982
	{ Everett.....	Chicago.....	149	1530	64	34	1628	.979
7	{ Vaughn.....	Cincinnati.....	40	364	8	8	380	.979
8	Wagner.....	Louisville.....	76	723	43	19	785	.976
	{ Doyle.....	New York and Wash.....	61	553	31	15	599	.975
9	{ Davis.....	Louisville and Pittsburg..	87	901	44	24	969	.975
	{ Douglas.....	Philadelphia.....	146	1240	80	33	1353	.975
10	{ Farrell.....	Washington.....	28	245	12	7	264	.973
	{ McGuire.....	Washington.....	36	327	27	10	361	.973
11	O'Brien.....	Baltimore and Pittsburg..	20	199	4	6	209	.971
12	Joyce.....	New York.....	123	1261	86	41	1388	.970
13	Carr.....	Washington.....	20	203	6	9	218	.959
14	Anderson.....	Washington and B'klyn...	17	171	9	9	189	.952

SECOND BASEMEN.

1	Daly.....	Brooklyn.....	23	58	75	2	135	.985
2	Crooks.....	St. Louis.....	65	185	199	15	399	.962
3	Reitz.....	Washington.....	132	325	402	33	760	.956
4	McPhee.....	Cincinnati.....	128	298	387	32	717	.955
5	Quinn.....	Baltimore and St. Louis..	70	156	209	18	383	.953
6	Low.....	Boston.....	147	403	446	43	892	.952
7	{ DeMontreville.....	Baltimore.....	123	305	388	37	730	.949
	{ Tebeau.....	Cleveland.....	34	88	98	10	196	.949
8	Ritchie.....	Louisville.....	73	211	211	23	445	.948
9	Lajoie.....	Philadelphia.....	146	424	431	48	913	.947
	{ Padden.....	Pittsburg.....	128	303	406	41	750	.945
10	{ Cross.....	St. Louis.....	149	213	349	33	595	.945
	{ Smith.....	Louisville.....	30	75	88	10	173	.942
11	{ Hallman.....	Brooklyn.....	124	266	422	42	730	.942
12	Connor.....	Chicago.....	136	323	427	40	780	.936
13	Gleason.....	New York.....	143	369	463	58	892	.935
14	Jennings.....	Baltimore.....	27	75	71	11	157	.929
15	Steinfeldt.....	Cincinnati.....	29	72	83	12	167	.928
16	Stafford.....	Louisville and Boston....	30	63	83	13	159	.919
17	Childs.....	Cleveland.....	109	271	375	49	695	.915
18	Eagan.....	Pittsburg.....	16	46	60	10	116	.914

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THIRD BASEMEN.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games.	Put Outs.	Assists.	Errors.	Total Chances.	Per cent.
1	Nash.....	Philadelphia.....	20	33	33	3	69	.956
2	Wagner.....	Louisville.....	62	104	122	13	239	.945
3	Wallace.....	Cleveland.....	142	206	345	33	584	.943
4	Collins.....	Boston.....	152	246	333	40	619	.935
5	Irwin.....	Cincinnati.....	135	220	303	36	559	.935
6	Clingman.....	Louisville.....	79	123	199	28	350	.920
7	Shindle.....	Brooklyn.....	120	154	239	41	434	.906
8	Smith.....	Washington.....	47	65	73	15	152	.902
9	McCormick.....	Chicago.....	134	156	314	52	522	.900
10	Hartman.....	New York.....	122	142	281	54	477	.887
11	Gray.....	Pittsburg.....	137	176	256	58	490	.882
12	McGraw.....	Baltimore.....	127	141	166	44	351	.875
13	Lander.....	Philadelphia.....	97	129	174	44	347	.874
14	Casey.....	Washington.....	22	22	46	10	78	.872
15	Meyers.....	Washington.....	31	38	64	18	120	.850
16	Wagner.....	Washington and B'klyn..	52	71	103	35	209	.838
17	Abbatichio.....	Philadelphia.....	17	24	24	11	59	.814

SHORTSTOPS.

1	Jennings.....	Baltimore.....	114	286	364	49	699	.944
2	Ely.....	Pittsburg.....	148	310	533	52	895	.942
3	Quinn.....	Baltimore and St. Louis..	39	66	143	15	224	.933
4	Davis.....	New York.....	121	351	420	57	828	.931
5	Corcoran.....	Cincinnati.....	153	349	564	68	981	.931
6	Clingman.....	Louisville.....	75	168	266	33	467	.929
7	McKean.....	Cleveland.....	151	299	429	56	784	.928
8	Long.....	Boston.....	142	376	471	67	914	.927
9	DeMontreville.....	Baltimore.....	28	67	102	14	183	.924
10	Magoon.....	Brooklyn.....	93	198	360	49	607	.919
11	Cross.....	Philadelphia.....	149	409	538	84	1021	.917
12	Ritchie.....	Louisville.....	79	189	220	40	449	.911
13	Smith.....	St. Louis.....	51	75	166	24	265	.909
14	Dahlen.....	Chicago.....	141	369	410	78	857	.909
15	Sullivan.....	St. Louis.....	25	56	68	13	137	.905
16	Wrigley.....	Washington.....	98	251	321	67	639	.895
17	Mercer.....	Washington.....	21	28	67	17	122	.890
18	Hall.....	St. Louis.....	35	58	103	32	185	.887
19	LaChance.....	Brooklyn.....	48	107	141	40	288	.823
20	Gatans.....	Washington.....	16	22	41	19	82	.798

OUTFIELDERS.

1	Freeman.....	Washington.....	29	38	4	0	42	1.000
2	Tiernan.....	New York.....	103	130	10	2	142	.986
3	Griffin.....	Brooklyn.....	134	319	19	7	345	.979
4	Kelley.....	Baltimore.....	123	234	16	7	257	.973
5	Green.....	Chicago.....	47	89	9	3	101	.970
6	Holliday.....	Cincinnati.....	26	61	1	2	64	.969
7	Burkett.....	Cleveland.....	148	266	18	10	294	.966
8	Foster.....	New York.....	20	28	1	2	31	.964
9	McFarland.....	Cincinnati.....	15	26	1	1	28	.964

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OUTFIELDERS—Continued.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games.	Put Outs.	Assists.	Errors.	Total Chances.	Per cent.
8	Delehanty.....	Philadelphia.....	142	300	20	12	332	.964
9	Clark.....	Louisville.....	147	346	22	14	382	.963
10	McAleer.....	Cleveland.....	102	239	15	10	264	.962
11	Brodie.....	Pittsburg and Baltimore..	65	164	9	7	180	.961
	Stahl.....	Boston.....	125	200	15	9	224	.959
12	McBride.....	Cincinnati.....	120	289	20	13	322	.959
	Blake.....	Cleveland.....	135	292	22	11	325	.959
	Dexter.....	Louisville.....	99	152	14	7	173	.959
13	Flick.....	Philadelphia.....	133	242	25	13	280	.954
	Hoy.....	Louisville.....	148	340	27	18	385	.953
14	Keeler.....	Baltimore.....	128	210	12	11	233	.953
15	Anderson.....	Wh'ington and Brooklyn..	116	238	22	13	273	.952
16	Cooley.....	Philadelphia.....	148	349	16	19	384	.950
17	Brown.....	Washington.....	15	36	1	2	39	.949
	Duffy.....	Boston.....	151	328	14	19	361	.949
18	Turner.....	St. Louis.....	34	49	2	3	54	.945
19	Donovan.....	Pittsburg.....	147	239	21	16	266	.942
	E. E. Smith.....	Cincinnati.....	122	280	15	18	313	.942
20	Selbach.....	Washington.....	130	314	23	21	358	.941
21	Stenzel.....	Baltimore and St. Louis..	143	314	15	21	350	.940
22	Stafford.....	Louisville and Boston....	48	88	5	6	99	.939
23	Miller.....	Cincinnati.....	152	294	22	21	337	.938
	Jones.....	Brooklyn.....	147	239	19	17	275	.938
24	Steinfeldt.....	Cincinnati.....	28	65	5	5	75	.933
25	Harley.....	St. Louis.....	141	316	25	25	366	.932
	Holmes.....	St. Louis and Baltimore..	135	286	18	23	327	.930
26	O'Brien.....	Baltimore and Pittsburg..	85	167	19	14	200	.930
27	McCarthy.....	Pittsburg.....	137	294	18	24	336	.928
28	Van Haltren.....	New York.....	155	299	21	25	345	.927
29	Gettman.....	Washington.....	137	232	17	20	269	.926
30	Dowd.....	St. Louis.....	132	213	22	19	254	.925
31	Isbell.....	Chicago.....	26	42	7	4	53	.924
32	Mertes.....	Chicago.....	58	94	11	9	114	.921
33	Ryan.....	Chicago.....	143	269	21	25	315	.920
34	Lange.....	Chicago.....	109	267	18	25	310	.919
35	Sheckard.....	Brooklyn.....	105	212	15	21	248	.915
36	Franks.....	Cleveland.....	17	40	2	4	46	.913
37	Donovan.....	Washington.....	19	38	3	4	45	.911
	A. Smith.....	Brooklyn.....	26	40	0	4	44	.909
38	Grady.....	New York.....	27	32	8	4	44	.909
39	Wilmot.....	New York.....	34	34	4	4	42	.905
40	Hartzell.....	Louisville.....	21	26	2	3	31	.903
41	Mercer.....	Washington.....	19	36	1	4	41	.902
42	Hamilton.....	Boston.....	100	193	8	23	224	.898
43	Thornton.....	Chicago.....	34	64	6	8	78	.897
44	McCreery.....	New York and Pittsburg..	85	148	10	19	177	.893
45	Doyle.....	New York and Washingt'n	37	37	4	5	46	.892
46	Nance.....	Louisville.....	22	28	9	5	42	.881
47	Heidrick.....	Cleveland.....	19	26	5	6	38	.842
48	Chance.....	Chicago.....	15	24	6	6	36	.833
49	Gettig.....	New York.....	18	13	1	3	17	.824

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CATCHERS' RECORDS.

Rank.	NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Put Outs.	Assists.	Errors.	Passed Balls.	Total Chances.	Percentage Accepted.
1	Zimmer	Cleveland	18	82	19	3	0	104	.971
2	Murphy	Philadelph'a and Pittsburg.	30	92	42	4	1	137	.964
3	Powers	Louisville	22	75	20	2	2	99	.959
4	McGuire	Washington	92	382	96	14	7	499	.958
5	Warner	New York	107	640	142	20	23	825	.948
6	Clements	St. Louis	85	276	81	9	11	367	.947
7	Donohue	Chicago	117	451	107	23	0	590	.946
8	O'Connor	Cleveland	47	154	54	7	5	230	.946
9	Robinson	Baltimore	77	291	70	12	11	384	.940
10	Kittridge	Louisville	88	257	84	13	9	363	.939
11	Creiger	Cleveland	81	316	98	18	9	441	.939
12	Chance	Chicago	27	61	14	2	3	80	.937
13	Bergen	Boston	119	487	110	24	17	638	.934
14	Peitz	Cincinnati	100	329	87	25	5	446	.933
15	Ryan	Brooklyn	79	292	95	18	10	415	.932
16	McFarland	Philadelphia	118	425	141	20	22	608	.931
17	Bowerman	Pittsburg	63	244	86	14	11	355	.929
18	Schrivier	Pittsburg	93	302	95	18	14	429	.926
19	Wood	Cincinnati	17	97	26	7	3	133	.925
20	Sugden	St. Louis	50	182	94	20	2	298	.923
21	Clark	Baltimore	68	291	70	15	19	394	.916
22	Grim	Brooklyn	50	157	57	12	8	234	.915
23	Yeager	Boston	36	160	35	12	7	214	.911
24	Farrell	Washington	60	186	82	21	6	295	.908
25	Vaughn	Cincinnati	34	101	36	7	7	151	.907
26	Smith	Brooklyn	20	63	26	10	2	101	.881
27	Grady	New York	47	219	59	16	22	316	.879
28	Wilson	Louisville	29	93	35	10	8	146	.876
29	Snyder	Louisville	15	40	14	2	6	62	.871

PITCHERS' RECORDS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER.

NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Per cent. of Victories.*	Per cent. of Base Hits off Pitcher.	Av. Runs Scored Per Game.	Hit Batsmen.	Bases Given on Called Balls.	No. Struck Out.	Per cent. Fielding Chances Accepted.
Breitenstein	St. Louis	36	.588	.262	4.72	10	126	70	.961
Cunningham	Louisville	43	.658	.270	4.14	19	59	43	.908
Cuppy	Cleveland	16	.562	.296	3.75	5	25	26	.961
Callahan	Chicago	31	.645	.259	4.42	8	68	79	.908
Dineen	Washington	26	.296	.272	5.34	17	87	82	.792
Donohue	Philadelphia	35	.500	.278	4.85	10	77	65	.879
Dowling	Louisville	35	.382	.265	5.34	23	116	86	.842

* Tie games are excluded from percentage of games won.

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PITCHERS' RECORDS—Continued.

NAME.	CLUB.	Games Played.	Per cent. of Victories.*	Per cent. of Base Hits off Pitcher.	Av. Runs Scored Per Game.	Hit Batsmen.	Bases Given on Called Balls.	No. Struck Out.	Per cent. Fielding Chances Accepted.
Damman.....	Cincinnati.....	27	.592	.308	5.07	8	60	51	.808
Dwyer.....	Cincinnati.....	27	.654	.274	4.33	15	44	25	.897
Dunn.....	Brooklyn.....	37	.500	.273	4.75	14	80	49	.880
Doheny.....	New York.....	27	.308	.270	6.11	20	96	99	.694
Fifield.....	Philadelphia.....	20	.550	.256	4.85	16	66	37	.778
Fraser.....	Louisville, Clevel'd.....	32	.258	.239	5.97	26	111	77	.821
Gardner.....	Pittsburg.....	32	.454	.250	4.18	8	52	43	.839
Griffith.....	Chicago.....	37	.732	.249	3.11	17	63	99	.891
Hughes.....	St. Louis.....	33	.250	.287	5.21	14	67	75	.831
Hart.....	Pittsburg.....	15	.357	.305	5.20	7	43	17	.833
Hastings.....	Pittsburg.....	15	.286	.266	5.33	10	49	39	.921
Hill.....	Cincinnati.....	28	.481	.266	5.14	17	119	79	.937
Hawley.....	Cincinnati.....	40	.729	.276	4.13	21	84	67	.851
Hughes.....	Baltimore.....	35	.647	.236	4.08	18	100	80	.866
Killen.....	Washington, Pitts'g.....	37	.444	.280	4.86	11	61	89	.857
Kennedy.....	Brooklyn.....	38	.421	.275	4.87	4	118	75	.919
Klobedanz.....	Boston.....	32	.656	.255	5.31	13	92	47	.883
Lewis.....	Boston.....	34	.757	.233	3.88	4	100	68	.841
Mercer.....	Washington.....	29	.414	.302	6.38	17	64	53	.781
Meekin.....	New York.....	35	.500	.266	5.14	12	112	95	.763
Magee.....	Louisville.....	30	.517	.269	4.93	14	113	50	.876
Miller.....	Brooklyn.....	19	.277	.287	6.74	15	81	45	.865
Maul.....	Baltimore.....	28	.704	.233	2.67	3	45	34	.924
McJames.....	Baltimore.....	43	.658	.234	3.53	13	111	181	.786
Nichols.....	Boston.....	43	.707	.219	3.22	9	84	132	.852
Nops.....	Baltimore.....	29	.616	.262	4.41	15	73	85	.792
Orth.....	Philadelphia.....	26	.577	.277	4.77	7	43	26	.926
Piatt.....	Philadelphia.....	38	.631	.252	4.10	17	100	124	.817
Powell.....	Cleveland.....	41	.605	.255	3.71	16	114	90	.903
Rhines.....	Pittsburg.....	30	.414	.283	4.70	12	66	50	.894
Rusie.....	New York.....	35	.625	.255	4.31	10	103	114	.809
Sudhoff.....	St. Louis.....	39	.289	.282	5.07	27	98	64	.909
Seymour.....	New York.....	44	.581	.240	4.61	31	211	249	.784
Taylor.....	St. Louis.....	44	.357	.281	5.29	22	83	89	.864
Tannehill.....	Pittsburg.....	38	.631	.266	3.80	11	61	92	.922
Thornton.....	Chicago.....	24	.565	.271	4.66	17	52	52	.840
Weyhing.....	Washington.....	43	.357	.294	5.46	17	80	96	.858
Wheeler.....	Philadelphia.....	15	.400	.314	6.00	6	24	19	.845
Wilson.....	Cleveland.....	32	.406	.307	4.37	8	50	46	.958
Woods.....	Chicago.....	22	.409	.275	5.82	10	59	31	.928
Willis.....	Boston.....	38	.631	.229	3.60	30	141	132	.870
Young.....	Cleveland.....	41	.631	.259	4.29	9	40	98	.920
Yeager.....	Brooklyn.....	33	.375	.280	5.33	6	79	71	.876

* Tie games are excluded from percentage of games won.

NATIONAL LEAGUE AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATION SCHEDULE—SEASON OF 1899.

Clubs.	In Boston.	In Brooklyn.	In New York.	In Philadel'a.	In Baltimore.	In Wash'ton.	In Pittsburg.	In Cleveland.	In Chicago.	In Cincinnati.	In Louisville.	In St. Louis.
Boston....	Apr. 15, 17, 18, May 4, Sept. 7, 8, 9	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 25, 26, 27, 28, Oct. 6, 7, 9	Apr. 29, May 1, 2, 3, 4, a, m., p.m., 5	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, May 15, 16, July 3	June 23, 24, 26, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 28, 29, 30, Aug. 31	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	May 25, 26, 27, 28, July 29, Aug. 31	May 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Brooklyn.	Apr. 19, May 5, 6, 8, Aug. 27, 28, 29, 30	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, July 4, a, m., p.m., 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, May 15, 16, July 3	June 23, 24, 26, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 28, 29, 30, Aug. 31	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	May 25, 26, 27, 28, July 29, Aug. 31	May 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
New York	July 7, 8, 10, Oct. 2, 3, 4, 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, July 4, a, m., p.m., 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, May 15, 16, July 3	June 23, 24, 26, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 28, 29, 30, Aug. 31	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	May 25, 26, 27, 28, July 29, Aug. 31	May 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Phila- delphia.	June 13, 16, 17, Oct. 11, 12, 13, 14	May 15, 16, 17, July 6, 7, 8, 10	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, July 4, a, m., p.m., 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, May 15, 16, July 3	June 23, 24, 26, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 28, 29, 30, Aug. 31	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	May 25, 26, 27, 28, July 29, Aug. 31	May 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Baltimore	May 10, 11, 12, 13, Sept. 4, 4, 5	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, July 4, a, m., p.m., 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, July 4, a, m., p.m., 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, May 15, 16, July 3	June 23, 24, 26, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	May 25, 26, 27, 28, July 29, Aug. 31	May 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Wash- ington.	Aug. 4, 5, 7, Sept. 27, 28, 29, 30	May 10, 11, 12, 13, 25, 26	Apr. 15, 17, June 9, 10, Sept. 4, a, m., p.m., 5	June 10, 12, 13, 14, Sept. 23, 25, 26	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 24, May 15, 16, July 3	June 23, 24, 26, 27, Aug. 1, 2, 24, 25, 26	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	June 28, 29, 30, Aug. 31	June 19, 20, 21, 22, Aug. 31	May 25, 26, 27, 28, July 29, Aug. 31	May 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31

CLUBS.	In Boston.	In Brooklyn.	In New York.	In Philadel'a	In Baltimore.	In Wash'ton.	In Pittsburg.	In Cleveland.	In Chicago.	In Cincinnati.	In Louis-ville.	In St. Louis.
Pitts- burg.	July 14, 15, 17 Sept. 15, 16, 18, 19	July 18, 19, 20 Sept. 11, 12, 13, 14	July 11, 12, 13 Sept. 20, 21, 22, 23	June 2, 3, 5 Aug. 8, 9, 10, 11	June 6, 7, 8, 9 Aug. 12, 14, 15	May 18, 19, 21 Ju'e 1, Aug. 16, 17, 18	June 12, 13, 14, 15 Oct. 7, 9, 10	Sept. 4 a.m., p.m. 5, 6, 25, 26, 27	Apr. 15, 17, 18, 19 Aug. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Apr. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Cleveland	May 30, a. June 1, 2, 3, 5 Aug. 8, 9, 10	June 2, 3, 5 Aug. 15, 16, 17, 18	June 6, 7, 8, 9 Aug. 11, 12, 13, 14	July 11, 12, 13 Sept. 11, 12, 13, 14	July 14, 15, 17 Sept. 20, 21, 22, 23	July 18, 19, 20 Sept. 15, 16, 18, 19	M'y 13, 14 17, July 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	A. 24, 25, A. 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 Aug. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	A. 24, 25, A. 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 Aug. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Apr. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Chicago..	July 11, 12, 13 Sept. 20, 21, 22, 23	July 14, 15, 17 Sept. 15, 16, 18, 19	July 18, 19, 20 Sept. 11, 12, 13, 14	May 30, a. m.p.m., 31 J'e 1, Au. 12, 14, 15	June 2, 3, 5 Aug. 16, 17, 18, 19	June 6, 7, 8 Aug. 10, 11, 12, 13, 14	May 15, 16, 17 July 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	May 3, 4, 5 Sept. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Apr. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 Aug. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Apr. 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 May 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	April 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 Aug. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
Cincin- nati.	June 2, 3, 5 Aug. 11, 12, 14, 15	June 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 Aug. 11, 12, 13, 14	May 30, a. m.p.m., 31 J'e 1, Au. 16, 17, 18	July 14, 15, 17 Sept. 20, 21, 22, 23	July 18, 19, 20 Sept. 15, 16, 18, 19	July 11, 12, 13 Sept. 11, 12, 13, 14	May 9, 10, 11, 12 Sept. 28, 29, 30	May 15, 16, 17 Oct. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Apr. 27, 28, 29, 30 June 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	July 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31	Sept. 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31
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